

FINANCIAL AID CHECKLIST

FINANCIAL AID AND VETERAN SERVICES • 1108 FREMONT STREET, SSC 103 • STEVENS POINT, WI 54481-3987 • WWW.UWSP.EDU/FINAID

Applying for Financial Aid

- Create an FSA ID at fsaid.ed.gov (the FSA ID is your electronic signature for the application)
 - Dependent Students: parents must also have or create an FSA ID
- Gather the materials needed to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): federal tax returns, W-2s and other records of money earned, bank and investment statements, and records of untaxed income
 - Dependent Students: you will also need the same information for your parents
- Complete the FAFSA at studentaid.gov and be sure to list UWSP's Federal School Code: 003924
- If requested, submit additional documentation to our office as soon as you are able
 - Documents requested can be viewed in accesSPoint within the Task Tile
- Apply for scholarships through the university/community/high school
- Report any non-UWSP scholarships using our "Scholarship Reporting Form"

Prior to Financial Aid Disbursements

- Accept, adjust, or decline your financial aid offer in accesSPoint
- If you are accepting Federal Direct Loan(s), watch your Task Tile to :
 - Complete Entrance Counseling at studentaid.gov
 - Complete Master Promissory Note (MPN) at studentaid.gov
- Enroll in 6+ credits; some aid requires 12+ credits (for undergraduates)
- Enroll in direct deposit: complete the accesSPoint task titled "SF Direct Deposit"
- Consider signing up for the payment plan through the Student Financial Services office
 - Payment Plan Instructions: www.uwsp.edu/SFS/Pages/Pay-My-Bill.aspx
- Review financial aid disclosure information in accesSPoint

Ongoing Financial Aid Tasks

- Review our webpage for more information about financial aid and scholarships
- Create a budget, review regularly, and stick to it
- Sign up for GradReady, our free online resource to help you succeed financially, academically, and personally at uwsp.gradready.com
- View our Financial Literacy webpage
- Review our Dates and Deadlines webpage
- Check your UWSP student email often for messages regarding tasks or holds on your financial aid account