



Your Guide to the **FINANCIAL AID PROCESS** in Shocker Nation

Follow these steps to complete the financial aid process. If you have questions about your financial aid, feel free to contact us 24/7/365 by phone at (316) 978-3430 or by chat at wichita.edu/onestop.

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1. APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

You have submitted the FAFSA, and the WSU Office of Financial Aid has received your information.

2. REVIEW YOUR STUDENT AID REPORT (SAR)

The SAR is an electronic document from the U.S. Department of Education that provides basic information about your eligibility for federal aid and lists your answers to the questions on your FAFSA. If your SAR requires corrections, make corrections online at studentaid.gov and resubmit.

3. SATISFY ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

If additional information is needed, you will receive notifications via your WSU email. For a list of required documents, log on to myWSU.wichita.edu, select the **myFinances tab**, and *select Financial Aid Dashboard*. *Be sure to submit these requirements by the requested deadline. Please be advised that documents submitted in January, July, and August may take up to 4 weeks to process and your aid may be delayed.*

4. REVIEW YOUR FINANCIAL AID OFFER

When your aid offer is ready, you will receive notifications via your WSU email. To review the offer, log on to myWSU.wichita.edu and select the **myFinances tab**. You will need to read the **Terms and Conditions** tab prior to accepting or declining your aid.

5. DECIDE ON YOUR FINANCIAL AID

If you are offered **grant aid**, it will be automatically accepted for you. If you would like to decline your grant aid, contact the Office of Financial Aid.

If you accept a **Direct Loan** for the first time, you must complete Direct Loan Entrance Counseling and a Master Promissory Note (MPN) at studentaid.gov.

If you accept **work-study**, you may search and apply for available positions through Handshake at careers.wichita.edu.

6. REVIEW YOUR UNIVERSITY BILL & PREPARE FOR DISBURSEMENT

Financial aid can disburse toward your student account as early as 10 days prior to the start of your standard- term courses if you have met the eligibility requirements.

If you have excess financial aid after the payment of your tuition, fees, and housing, you should sign up for direct deposit at myWSU.wichita.edu. *If you do not sign up for direct deposit, you will be mailed a paper check to the current address on file with the WSU Accounts Receivable Office.*

If you have a balance due on your account after your financial aid has disbursed, you must make arrangements to pay the remaining balance in full or set up a tuition payment plan at myWSU.wichita.edu.

IMPORTANT NOTE: *The Office Of Financial Aid will send correspondence to your student email account.*