Are You Financially Ready for College?

Step 1: Calculate Your Financial Need

1. Identify Cost of Attendance (COA)
   Estimate obtained from cost.uww.edu
   $ 

2. Subtract Financial Aid Awarded
   Located in WINS under Student Home
   (Exclude Work Study)
   $ 

3. Calculate Financial Need
   COA (1) – Financial Aid (2) = Financial Need
   $ 

Step 2: Funding Your Financial Need

01 SAVINGS
Determine savings contributions to be applied towards college expenses. Communicate with parents and others who may be willing to contribute. This includes any 529 savings plan accounts.

02 SCHOLARSHIPS
Applications for additional scholarships are encouraged. The UW-W Financial Aid Office website contains many links and resources for additional scholarships.

03 EMPLOYMENT
Working during the summer and academic year will help defray education costs. Utilize Handshake, UW-W’s online job board, for current job postings.

04 PLUS LOAN
Parents can apply for a Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan if a financial need still exists. Refer to the UW-W Financial Aid Office website for questions and application information.

05 ALT LOANS
Alternative (or private) loans are available through financial institutions. Students may need a co-signer. The UW-W Financial Aid Office website has application information available.

Step 3: Still Have A Financial Need?
Contact the following UW-W departments with additional financial questions and concerns.

Financial Aid Office
130 Hyer Hall
(262) 472-1130
uwwfao@uww.edu
uww.edu/financialaid

Student Accounts Office
104 Hyer Hall
(262) 472-1373
sfs@uww.edu
uww.edu/adminaffairs/finance/sfs

Financial Literacy Center
104 Hyer Hall
(262) 472-2154
finlit@uww.edu
uww.edu/adminaffairs/finance/financialliteracy