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## **Applying for Financial Aid**

- Create a Federal Student Aid (FSA) account at studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch
- **FAFSA** Contributors (i.e., parents of dependent students) will also need an FSA account
- □ Gather needed materials for filling out your FAFSA including your social security number, and parents SSN if you are a dependent student. IRS data will be transferred directly to the FAFSA once you and your contributors provide consent\*

-You may also want to have federal tax returns, W-2s and other records of money earned, bank and investments statements, and records of untaxed income for any info you need to enter manually

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at studentaid.gov
  -UWSP's 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, and high school
- Report any non-UWSP scholarships using our "Scholarship Reporting Form"

\*If consent is not provided, you will not be eligible for financial aid

## **Prior to Financial Aid Disbursements**

- □ Accept, adjust, or decline your financial aid offer
- □ Review financial aid disclosure information in accesSPoint
- □ If you are accepting Federal Direct Loan(s), watch your Task Tile to :
  - -Complete Entrance Loan Counseling at studentaid.gov
  - -Complete Master Promissory Note (MPN) at studentaid.gov
- □ Enroll in 6+ credits; some aid requires 12+ credits
- □ 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

## **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
- Review Dates and Deadlines Page on our webpage
- Check your UWSP student email often for messages regarding tasks or holds on your financial aid account