

Jinancial Aid

NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT WEEK 2020

- The first step to financial aid is to <u>complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid</u> (FAFSA).
 - Complete your 2020-2021 FAFSA for aid for courses beginning between March 2020 and June 2021.
 - Start working on your 2021-2022 FAFSA now for courses beginning between March 2021 and June 2022.
- The next step of financial aid is to be admitted to a program. Your FAFSA will not be processed until you are admitted. Keep an eye on your home campus email address for communications and complete all requests right away.
 - An important part of planning for UW Flexible Option students is mapping out the number of credits that you plan to complete each subscription period. The pace you complete credits greatly impacts when you will receive aid disbursements. We recommend taking a few minutes to watch the <u>UW Flexible</u> <u>Option Financial Aid Disbursements video</u>. To make your Academic Plan of Study (APS), contact your Academic Success Coach. Once that plan is turned in, the financial aid office will be able to move forward in determining your aid eligibility.
 - If your income has changed due to COVID-19 or any other reason, you can request an income change with your financial aid office. <u>Contact the financial aid office</u> to request the form that they use for this process.



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What do you find most valuable about completing your degree online?

I found the flexibility of an online degree to be the most valuable. I can take as many or as few courses as I would like, and I can go at my own pace to complete the coursework. If I need a break between quarters, there is flexibility to take time off and pick up where I left off very easily. I also like that courses are broken down into bite-size pieces, this has been a game changer for finishing my degree.

What keeps you going?

Since each of the courses are broken down into smaller pieces, being able to finish courses quickly and check them off my list gives me an extra boost of energy to move to the next class. Additionally, knowing that I have a plan in place with the APS keeps me focused and moving forward.

