



# A GUIDE TO YOUR 26-27 FINANCIAL AID OFFER

## FINANCIAL AID 101

Paying for a college education may seem like a real challenge, but we are here to assist you. In this brochure, you will find information about your financial aid offer, including the types and amounts of aid we are able to offer you.

TEXTBOOKS & LAPTOP  
**INCLUDED**

SAVES STUDENTS  
MORE THAN

**\$6,900**

OVER FOUR YEARS

[NWMISSOURI.EDU/ADMISSIONS/LAPTOP](http://NWMISSOURI.EDU/ADMISSIONS/LAPTOP)

\*FOR MARYVILLE STUDENTS

THE  
RIGHT SIZE  
MORE THAN

**8,500**  
STUDENTS

**96%**

OF FIRST-YEAR  
STUDENTS

RECEIVE AN INSTITUTIONAL  
SCHOLARSHIP OR GRANT

NEARLY

**\$25**  
MILLION

IN SCHOLARSHIPS  
& GRANTS  
AWARDED ANNUALLY







# 95% PLACEMENT RATE

95% of bachelor's degree earners secure employment or continue their education within six months of graduation.

## NORTHWEST IS LISTED AMONG THE TOP MOST AFFORDABLE 4-YEAR UNIVERSITIES SINCE 2015

SOURCE: NATIONAL COLLEGE ATTAINMENT NETWORK (2015-2022 DATA)

## YOUR FINANCIAL AID CHECKLIST

- ☐ Search and apply for private scholarships.
- ☐ Review and accept financial aid offer in CatPAWS. (Merit scholarships are awarded for the 2026-2027 academic year.)
- ☐ Submit private scholarship information in CatPAWS and send check(s) to the Office of Scholarships and Financial Assistance.
- ☐ Request final high school and college transcripts be sent to Northwest by recommended date of June 30.
- ☐ Attend Summer Orientation, Advisement, and Registration (SOAR) or Transfer and Returning Student Orientation this Spring or Summer. Sign up begins Feb. 16 for Fall 2026 students.
- ☐ Review University bill sent to your Northwest email account in July.

## TO ACCESS YOUR AID OFFER IN CatPAWS

- 1 Go to [nwmissouri.edu](https://nwmissouri.edu)
- 2 Click the **Menu Icon**
- 3 Click **LOGIN**
- 4 Select **CatPAWS**
- 5 Select **CatPAWS Login**  
• Use login information provided at the time of your acceptance
- 6 Once logged in, select **Financial Aid Dashboard**
- 7 Select **Offer**, then select the Aid Year in the top right corner.
- 8 Select **Aid Year: 2026-2027 Aid Year**

Award Overview will display your aid offer summary



NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

MENU



## We are here for you CONTACT INFORMATION

Scholarships and Financial Assistance.....	660.562.1363
Scholarships, grants, federal work study, loans	
Student Account Services and Cashiering.....	660.562.1578
Billing, refunds, payment arrangements	
Student Success Center.....	660.562.1695
Orientation, academic advising & degree planning, academic support	
Residential Life and Auxiliary Services.....	660.562.1214
Room selection, room changes and meal membership	