Subject: MES Financial Aid – PLEASE READ

Thank you for applying for MES Financial Aid and/or filling out your FAFSA for 2016-2017. I regret to inform you that you have not been chosen to receive an award or need-based tuition waiver from MES at this time. If any waiver funds become available in the future, you will automatically be considered.

If you submitted a FAFSA, please remember to check your award from the Financial Aid office in early April. Their office awards loans and Evergreen Need Grants (only WA residents who submitted their FAFSA by March 1 will be considered for the Evergreen Need Grant); I have been told that awards will be made in late March. You should receive an email to your evergreen.edu email with instructions on how to check this offer. You can also login to [my.evergreen.edu](https://cas.evergreen.edu/cas/login?service=https%3A%2F%2Fmy.evergreen.edu%2Freports%2Fhomepage) and click on “Financial Aid.”

If you didn’t fill out your [FAFSA](https://fafsa.ed.gov/) yet, it is not too late!! All U.S. grad students are eligible for $20,500 in unsubsidized federal loans at a fixed rate of 5.84% as long as they haven’t defaulted on previous federal loans. Students may also apply for more loan funds to cover total cost of attendance (including transportation, housing, etc.) through a [Grad PLUS loan](http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/loans/plus) at a fixed rate of 6.84%. Please review our [Costs and Aid](http://www.evergreen.edu/mes/costs.htm) page to see total tuition and cost of attendance for 2016-17.

Most MES students also work during the day (mainly part-time) since our classes are at night. I’ll be sending out emails regarding opportunities for MES students, and you can also [subscribe](http://blogs.evergreen.edu/mesweekly/subscribe/) to our MES jobs/internships blog for weekly updates.

Also, there are plenty of outside scholarships to apply for, as well as various awards that pop up throughout the academic year. We have a [thorough list](http://www.evergreen.edu/mes/non-mes-scholarships.htm) of opportunities online.

Finally, don’t forget to sign up for our [Admitted Student Afternoon](http://www.evergreen.edu/mes/admitday) on April 21!

Let me know if you have any questions – we look forward to having you in MES!