

# Promise Scholar WSCC-MSU Institute of Ag. Tech Program Funding Process

**ALL IAT STUDENTS:** Complete your FAFSA and register for MSU and WSCC courses as soon as possible each year, preferably no later than August 1 for fall classes, December 1 for winter classes, and May 1 for summer classes, to optimize the payment process.

**IAT Students with Financial Aid:** WSCC will receive your financial aid first. Read your WSCC Financial Aid Award to understand whether you have federal and state grant aid.

**IAT Students Who Receive Grant Aid:** If you receive federal Pell grant, TIP grant, those funds will be applied to WSCC tuition first. If there is any amount left over, then an "overage refund check" will be issued to you. You must use these funds to pay MSU tuition.

**IAT Students Who Receive An Overage Check:** WSCC-MSU IAT Students who receive an overage refund can pick up their overage refund check at the WSCC Business Office (Admin. Bldg.). You will still owe MSU for tuition. Any amount owed to MSU for tuition must be paid **by you** from the amount provided in the overage refund check. To avoid late fees (for which you will be responsible), do this the same week as you receive your overage check. If you do not receive an overage refund check, or the amount of the check does not cover the total MSU tuition due, see the next step.

**ALL IAT Students with the Promise:** WSCC will use your Promise funding to fund any amount of tuition (at MSU and WSCC) that is not covered by state and federal grants from financial aid. This amount will be sent by WSCC to MSU. If you receive no grants, the Promise will cover both WSCC and MSU tuition. The WSCC Business Office will pay MSU directly for tuition not covered by federal and state grants. *(As a reminder, if you receive grants that result in a WSCC financial aid overage refund check, then that refunded amount must be paid toward MSU tuition by you, the student, first. If there is an amount owed after your full refund is applied, WSCC will use the Promise to cover the remaining amount.)*

**NOTE:** If you receive a refund from financial aid grants through an overage check and do not use your financial aid overage funding to pay your MSU tuition and mandatory fees, your unpaid tuition at MSU bill may be sent to collections and you may be prevented from registering for future classes.

**WSCC Billing and Financial Aid Contacts:** For questions related to your IAT program tuition and funding, connect with the WSCC Financial Aid and business office if you have questions. Financial Aid (finaid@westshore.edu) is in the Student Services Office in the Schoenherr Center. The WSCC Business Office (mmansour@westshore.edu) is in the Administrative Building

**Other Contacts:** To talk with the Promise: Jody Maloney, Director, 231-239-8224 or info@masoncountypromise.org

To get help with IAT program registration or information: Dr. Connie Schwass, cmschwass@westshore.edu

To login to your WSCC Student Portal (you can see your WSCC info here): <https://my.westshore.edu/ics>

To login to your MSU Student Information System (you can see your MSU bill and course schedule here): <https://student.msu.edu/splash.html>