

The 2013-14 award year is off to a great start in the Financial Aid Office. Nearly all financial aid applicants enrolled for the fall semester have finalized their aid applications and have received their award packages for the fall and spring semesters. We are contacting approximately 50 students who have outstanding requirements that are holding up this process.

We wrapped up the 2012-13 year with Hope-funded scholarships and grants expenses coming in under budget. We are completing the reconciliation processes with both the US Department of Education and the Michigan Department of Treasury and the year-end federal report was submitted just this week. Another year in the books!

Like many other campus departments, planning and preparation for the next academic year begins well before those new freshmen arrive on campus. We are in the process of updating all of our forms and letters for 2014-15 with the goal of adherence to the new branding guidelines. To date, there have been minimal regulatory changes for the 14-15 year so we look forward to a smooth system implementation.

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