The Summer Programs Office is offering partial tuition assistance awards to a limited number of applicants who register for or apply to select programs. The mission of our Tuition Assistance program is to make attendance possible for students who are interested in STEM fields, but would otherwise be unable to attend solely due to the cost of the program. Our priority is to make a tangible impact on the lives of several students with average awards approaching 50% tuition, instead of reaching a larger number of students with smaller awards. However, we reserve the right to vary the size of the award based on applicant need.

Eligible programs include:

- All day programs except for Sports Camps and grant-sponsored programs
- All overnight programs except for Camp Reach and Frontiers, which offer their own assistance programs administered by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions

**Tuition Assistance Award Guidelines**

It is the mission of the Summer Programs Office to apply fair and equal criteria to our selection process. WPI does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, sex, ancestry, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, family status, disability, or membership in the armed services, in recruiting and admitting students, awarding financial aid or in operating any of its programs and activities.

The award committee will determine recipients and the amount of each award based on the need demonstrated by the following information provided in the application:

- Total Household income and Family size
  - The USDA’s *Federal Eligibility Income Chart for Free and Reduced Lunch* will serve as our guideline for determining award priority
- Amount of financial aid requested
- Statement of family financial circumstances
- Statement of impact on the participant

**Tuition Assistance Schedule**

The Summer Programs Office intends to extend financial assistance to participants in all eligible programs, regardless of a program’s application deadline.

Applicants will be reviewed on a weekly basis by the award committee until the tuition assistance funds are depleted. Applicants for tuition assistance who have applied to an acceptance-based summer program will not be considered for a financial award until an admission decision has been made by the program’s director.

Applicants will be exempted from the standard 10 business day payment deadline; the applicant’s seat will be held in the chosen program until a decision has been made on their tuition assistance request (maximum of 1 week). Once an award decision has been communicated to the family (yes or no), the applicant has 10 business days to submit payment for their program or they will lose their reserved seat and be placed on the waiting list.

Please contact the Summer Programs Office if you have questions or concerns.