



# Associated Students of Western Washington University

2011 State Legislative Agenda  
Board of Directors November 2010

*Legislative Mission:* The Associated Students of Western Washington University, the recognized student governance organization on campus, advocates measures that protect the institutional integrity that fosters a student's personal growth and prepares them to make a positive contribution in our society.

## FUNDING AND TUITION

- Affirm that higher education is a public good. State support should be equivalent to the maintenance operating level established in the 2007-2009 biennium.
- Support a tuition rate that is accessible and predictable for students.
- Support legislation that accounts for any increase in tuition with an equivalent increase in financial aid.

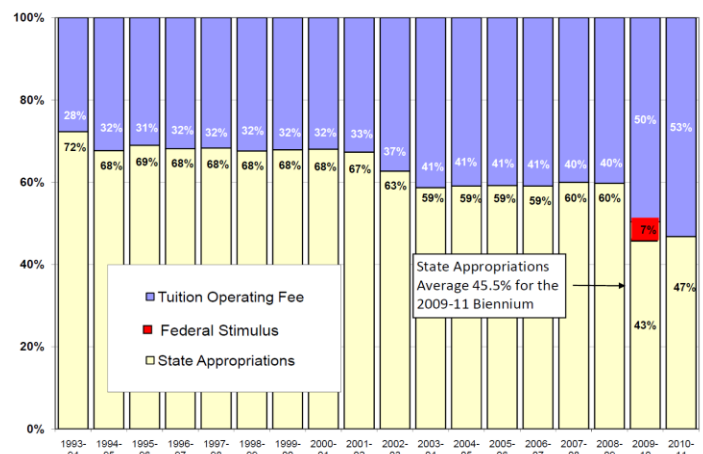
## FINANCIAL AID

- Oppose funding reductions to all forms of financial aid in order to maintain minimum levels of accessibility to higher education in Washington State.
- Support legislation and funding to raise eligibility for the State Need Grant to 100% of the median family income for Washington State.
- Support legislation and funding that increases access to State Work Study.



### Tuition Rates

Tuition rates have increased substantially outpacing median family income.



### State vs Student Funding

Students now fund more than the state since the 2008-09 budget