STUDENT LOAN OVERVIEW

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AGENDA

- Federal Student loans offered directly through submitting the FAFSA
- Subsidized and Unsubsidized loan borrowing limits
- Additional Loan Options
- Example of additional loan calculation
- Using loans for educational expenses - How do I get my refund?
- Tools to help manage federal student loans
- Question and Answer session
UNDERGRADUATE FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS

DIRECT SUBSIDIZED LOAN

● The Department of Education pays the interest on a subsidized loan while:
  ○ A student is enrolled in at least half-time status.
  ○ Grace Period (the first six months after you leave school).
  ○ During a period of deferment (a postponement of loan payments).

● Available to undergraduate students with financial need as defined by the FAFSA.

● Fixed interest rate for the 2021-22 academic year is 3.73%.

● Enrollment Requirement: at least half-time status

DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED LOAN

● No requirement to demonstrate financial need.
  ○ Students only have to meet Federal Student Aid eligibility criteria.

● Fixed interest rate for the 2021-22 academic year is 3.73%.

● Enrollment Requirement: at least half-time status

● Student is responsible for the interest accumulating on the unsubsidized loan.
  ○ Interest is accruing and will be capitalized (added to the principal amount of loan) when repayment begins.
OTHER THAN INTEREST, IS THERE A CHARGE FOR SUBSIDIZED OR UNSUBSIDIZED LOANS?

Yes, there is a **loan fee** on all Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans.

The loan fee is a percentage of the loan amount and is proportionately deducted from each loan disbursement.

### Loan Fees for Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans

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<td>On or after Oct. 1, 2020, and before Oct. 1, 2022</td>
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Loans first disbursed prior to Oct. 1, 2019, have different loan fees.
HOW MUCH SUBSIDIZED/UNSUBSIDIZED LOANS CAN I BORROW?

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<th>First Year Undergraduate Loan Limit</th>
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*If student is only eligible for partial subsidized or no subsidized loan funding, they will be offered the unsubsidized loan up to grade level and dependency limit.
SECOND-YEAR UNDERGRAD (30-59 CREDITS)

Second-Year Undergraduate Annual Loan Limit

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*If student is only eligible for partial subsidized or no subsidized loan funding, they will be offered the unsubsidized loan up to grade level and dependency limit.*
THIRD-YEAR AND BEYOND UNDERGRAD (60+ CREDITS)

### Third Year and Beyond Undergraduate Annual Loan Limit

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<td>$12,500</td>
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*If student is only eligible for partial subsidized or no subsidized loan funding, they will be offered the unsubsidized loan up to grade level and dependency limit.*
### Subsidized and Unsubsidized Aggregate Loan Limit

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*Total subsidized and unsubsidized loan amounts may vary based on a student's financial need, but the aggregate total cannot exceed the total loan limit listed above (based on dependency status).*
ADDITIONAL LOAN OPTIONS

- Federal Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (Parent PLUS Loan)
- Private Student Loan
FEDERAL DIRECT PARENT LOAN FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS (PLUS)

- To receive a Parent PLUS loan, you must:
  - Be the biological or adoptive parent (or, in some cases, the stepparent) of a dependent undergraduate student **enrolled in at least half-time status**.
  - Be approved of Plus credit check.
  - Meet the **general eligibility requirements for federal student aid**.

- Fixed interest rate for the 2021-22 academic year of 6.28%.

- Resource on what is considered adverse history in the Plus credit check

- Are there any fees for the Parent PLUS Loan?
  - For Direct PLUS Loans disbursed on or after 10/1/20 and before 10/1/22, there is a **loan fee of 4.228%** taken out of the loan at disbursement.

- Note: Grandparents (unless they have legally adopted the dependent student) and legal guardians are **not** eligible to receive Parent PLUS loans.

- Request a deferment on the application to defer payments until 6 months after your child graduates, drops to less than half-time status, or leaves school.
HOW TO APPLY FOR THE PARENT PLUS LOAN

● Parents can log into studentaid.gov with their Federal Student Aid ID.

● The Direct PLUS Loan Application:
  ○ Input an amount. PLUS loan applications are certified by Temple University for the academic year (fall and spring), so plan accordingly.
  ○ If a parent selects the ‘maximum’ amount option on the application, Temple will certify an approved plus loan application up to the student’s maximum Cost of Attendance budget (minus other financial assistance the student is receiving).

● The Direct PLUS loan application:
  ○ Designate whether the school pays any credit balance to the student or to the parent borrower (in a scenario where you apply for an amount greater than your account balance).
  ○ Request a deferment (for repayment) while the student is in school (enrolled in at least half-time status).

● Master Promissory Note for PLUS loan is required.
  ○ PLUS Credit Counseling may be required in certain circumstances.
OPTIONS FOR PARENTS DENIED THE PARENT PLUS LOAN DUE TO ADVERSE CREDIT HISTORY

- Obtain an **endorser** who does not have an adverse credit history. An endorser is someone who agrees to repay the parent PLUS loan if you do not repay it. The endorser cannot be the child on whose behalf you are borrowing.
  - Parents who obtain an endorser must also complete PLUS Credit Counseling through studentaid.gov (in additional to MPN).

- Appeal PLUS credit check: Documenting to the satisfaction of the U.S. Department of Education that there are **extenuating circumstances relating to your adverse credit history**.
  - More information on this option is available at: [https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/plus/parent](https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/plus/parent)
  - Parents who receive an approved appeal must also complete PLUS Credit Counseling through studentaid.gov (in addition to MPN).
UNSUBSIDIZED LOAN INCREASE DUE TO PARENT PLUS LOAN DENIAL

● If your parent is denied the Parent Plus loan, a dependent Undergraduate student can increase their unsubsidized loan for the academic year in an amount based on their grade level.
  ○ Allows dependent Undergraduate students to receive same federal direct loan amounts as an Independent student for the academic year.

● If unsubsidized loan is increased, student can not have another parent apply for the Parent Plus loan.

● Steps if your parent is denied and you request SFS increase your federal unsubsidized loan:
  ○ Complete the 2021-22 Undergraduate Loan Change Form.
  ○ An email from the parent borrower is also required confirming they do not wish to appeal the credit decision or seek an endorser. Send to sfs@temple.edu with student’s 9 digit TU ID.
PRIVATE STUDENT LOANS

- **Non-federal loans** made by a lender such as a bank, credit union, or state agency.
- **Eligibility, interest rates, and terms and conditions** set by the lender.
  - Approval and interest rates also determined by the borrower’s and co-signer’s credit ratings.
- Check for any **prepayment penalties** and when **loan repayment** will begin.
- A good resource for federal vs. private loans:

- Students apply with the private lender.
- SFS certifies private student loan applications for the upcoming academic year beginning in July (once official tuition rates for the year are confirmed).
- Private loans are **processed for the full year**, meaning any amount on the loan application will be **split equally between fall and spring**.
- The maximum that can be borrowed is a student’s Cost of Attendance budget minus all other financial aid awarded.
CALCULATE HOW MUCH YOU NEED IN LOAN FUNDING:
TEMPLE TUITION CALCULATOR TOOL

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### 2020-21 ESTIMATED TUITION RATES

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<td><strong>$17,854.00</strong></td>
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## ENTER FINANCIAL AID AWARDED

### PAYMENT METHODS

Start by selecting how you want to enter your payment methods from the drop down box: by Year or by Semester. Next, enter amounts in the appropriate payment method boxes then select calculate to determine how you will finance your Temple education. Click the question mark next to a payment method for an explanation.

### Enter amounts for the: *

*This will determine how the calculator applies your payments toward semester / annual rates.*

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**Total Deductions:** $18,275.00

[Link to Calculator]
In this example, $17,433 is the amount needed in additional loan funding for the combined fall and spring semesters.

SFS must certify loan funding for the Fall and Spring semesters combined. Any amount that a parent (through the PLUS loan) or student (through a private loan) is applying for will be split equally between fall and spring.

Official 2021-22 tuition rates available in mid-July.
HOW TO REQUEST A CHANGE TO AN ACCEPTED SUBSIDIZED OR UNSUBSIDIZED LOAN

- Complete the Undergraduate Federal Loan Change Request form
- 2021-22 form is available on the SFS Forms site, sfs.temple.edu/forms.
- Please include:
  - Name
  - TU ID
  - Check off the applicable box
  - Include the current accepted amount and new requested amount.
  - Additional information may be required for request to increase the unsubsidized loan due to a Parent Plus denial.
HOW TO REQUEST A CHANGE TO A PARENT PLUS LOAN APPLICATION

● Submit the Parent PLUS Loan Adjustment form.
  ○ If the parent’s Plus credit check has not expired, they can use this form alone to request an increase.

● The 2021-22 form will be available on the SFS Forms site, sfs.temple.edu/forms.

● If a parent has received a Parent Plus loan by obtaining an endorser, they cannot increase the plus loan through the form alone. They and their endorser must submit another endorsed application through studentaid.gov, and then submit the Parent PLUS Loan Adjustment form to SFS.

● If a parent’s Plus credit check has expired, they will need to apply again through studentaid.gov. Once there is another approved Parent Plus application with an unexpired credit check, they can submit the Parent Plus loan Adjustment form to SFS.

● Requests to decrease or cancel a Parent Plus loan can be submitted through the Parent PLUS Loan Adjustment form.
HOW DO I RECEIVE A REFUND FROM MY LOAN FOR EDUCATIONAL RELATED EXPENSES?

- Does your financial aid exceed your account balance?
- Financial aid for the semester will begin to disburse approximately two business days prior to the official start of the semester.
- All financial aid requirements and enrollment requirements must be met for aid to disburse.
- If your financial aid (which includes any loan funding) results in a credit balance on your account, the credit will be released as a refund.

- SFS recommends adding Direct Deposit as your refund method of choice, as this is the **fastest way to receive any refund** once it has been released.
- Note, electronic bank transfer through Direct Deposit can take up to 2 to 4 business days.
- **To add Direct Deposit:**
  - Log into TU Portal.
  - Click on the Cost and Aid tab.
  - Click on TU Pay.
  - Click on Student Choice Refunds.
  - Specific instructions are available through the Student Choice Refunds page.
TOOLS TO HELP MANAGE FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS

- Federal Student Aid’s Understanding Student Loan Repayment site
- Federal Student Aid’s Loan Stimulator tool
- PHEAA (PA Higher Education Assistance Agency) You Can Deal With It tools
- iGrad
  - Financial Wellness platform
  - Link to iGrad is on Cost and Aid tab of TU Portal.
  - Has outside scholarship search tool to help lower debt.
  - Has a student loan management tool where students can upload loan information from the National Student Loan Data System.

Contact your loan servicer with repayment questions.
  - You don’t have to pay for help with your federal student loans.
  - Be wary of student loan scammers: https://studentaid.gov/resources/scams
QUESTIONS?

Contact SFS

- Email: sfs@temple.edu
- Please include your 9 digit TU ID on any email correspondence.
- We utilize a ticketing system when you contact us and will create a ticket at the time of your call or email. We will then have a professional staff member get back in touch.

Join our virtual line:

- QLESS
  - Download the QLESS app.
  - Available on both iPhone and Android devices.
  - Enter through the link listed on https://sfs.temple.edu/about/appointments.
- Family Education Rights and Protection Act Waiver
  - In order to provide a waiver of FERPA rights to a specific person, students should follow instructions listed on https://sfs.temple.edu/policies/family-education-al-rights-and-privacy-act.