Federal Direct Subsidized / Unsubsidized Student Loan Instructions: 2019-20 Academic Year Complete After May 1 Deadline: mid-June

Loans through this government sponsored program are in the student's name and do not require a co-signer or credit check. Students borrow directly from the federal government. If you wish to decline or reduce the amount of the Direct Subsidized or Unsubsidized Loan listed on your financial aid award notification, please indicate your requested change(s) on the Direct Loan Change Form or email your changes to finaidloans@gettysburg.edu.

Direct Subsidized Student Loan

Borrower: student

Interest Rate: 4.529% (fixed)
Origination fee: 1.062%*
Grace Period: 6 months
Repayment Period: 10 years

- The government pays the interest while the student is enrolled at least half-time. Interest accrued during the grace period will be payable by the student.
- Awarded only to students with financial need.

Direct Unsubsidized Student Loan

Borrower: student

Interest rate: 4.529% (fixed)
Origination fee: 1.062% *
Grace Period: 6 months
Repayment Period: 10 years

- Interest accrues during the in-school period but can be capitalized (added to the principal) for repayment after the student drops to less than half-time enrollment.
- Awarded to students regardless of financial need.

Federal legislation limits the maximum undergraduate Federal Direct Loan borrowing to \$31,000 through the Federal Student Loan Program (unless the student is an independent student or a parent cannot borrow through the Federal PLUS Loan Program).

Keep track of your federal student loans!

Set up a National Student Loan Data Systems account at nstds.ed.gov or login at studentaid.ed.gov.

| Grade Level | Base Loan Amount Subsidized or Unsubsidized | Additional Unsubsidized Loan Amount |
|---|---|---|
| First-year estimated standard repayment 120 months/10 years | \$3,500 \$36*/month if all subsidized | \$2,000 \$25*month |
| Sophomore estimated standard repayment 120 months/10 years | \$4,500 \$47*/month if all subsidized | \$2,000 \$25*/month |
| Junior or Senior estimated standard repayment 120 months/10 years | \$5,500 \$57/month if all subsidized | \$2,000 \$25*/month |

^{*}Under the standard repayment plan, the minimum monthly payment for all of your loans within the Federal Direct Loan Program is \$50.

Federal Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loan Requirements

If not completed by mid-June, Direct Loans will be removed from your award

1. Complete Entrance Counseling at studentloans.gov (for first time borrowers)

The Federal Government requires you to complete entrance counseling to ensure that you understand the responsibilities and obligations you are assuming.

- Have your FSA ID available- this must be completed with the student's FSA ID.
- Have 20-30 minutes available; you must complete the entire counseling in one session.
- List Gettysburg College as your School Name.
- If you would like to enter your 2019-20 loan information, have your financial aid award available sample loan amounts will not be prepopulated.

2. Complete a Loan Agreement for a Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loan (MPN) at studentloans.gov

This is a legal document in which you promise to repay your federal student loan(s) and any accrued interest and fees to your lender or loan holder.

- Have your Social Security Number, FSA ID and names, addresses and telephone numbers for two references available.
- Have 20-30 minutes available; you cannot save a partially completed Loan Agreement (MPN).
- List Gettysburg College as your School Name.

Students will only complete Entrance Counseling and the Loan Agreement (MPN) the first time that they borrow a Federal Direct Student Loan. During their final semester at Gettysburg (or upon dropping to less than half-time enrollment), students will be required to complete an online Exit Counseling session to prepare them for loan repayment.

^{*} The origination fee may change for loans first disbursed on and after October 1, 2019.

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Federal Direct Loan Change Form 2019-20 Academic Year

You should return this form only if you are making changes to your awarded Federal Direct Student Loan.

| Student Name: | Date |
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| Student's Gettysburg College ID #: | Gettysburg Class Year: |
| Return to: Gettysburg College Office of Financial Aid Campus Box 438 300 N. Washington Street Gettysburg, PA 17325 | Email: finaidloans@gettysburg.edu Fax: 717-337-8555 |
| You may also send an email describing requested loan ch | anges to <u>finaidloans@gettysburg.edu</u> |
| Reduce Direct Loan Amounts | |
| ☐ I wish to reduce my Direct Subsidized Loan to \$ | |
| ☐ I wish to reduce my Direct <i>Unsubsidized</i> Loan to \$ | |
| Decline Direct Loan Funds | |
| ☐ I would like to decline my entire Direct Subsidized Loa | ın |
| ☐ I would like to decline my entire Direct <i>Unsubsidized</i> L | oan |
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First-Time Direct Loan Borrowers- Don't Forget!
Complete the following two steps to finalize your first Direct Loan:

- 1. Complete Entrance Counseling at studentloans.gov
- 2. Complete a Loan Agreement (MPN) at studentloans.gov