

Federal PLUS Loan for Parents of Dependent Students

Federal PLUS loans are low-interest loans available to parents or legal guardians of dependent undergraduate students. The student must be enrolled at least half-time in a degree-seeking program and a valid FAFSA must be on file with the Office of Financial Aid. Eligibility is not contingent upon a student's demonstrated financial need; however, lenders must consider the borrower to be creditworthy.

INTEREST RATES AND FEES

The interest rate for PLUS loans is fixed at 8.5%. Interest accrues when the loan is disbursed to the student's account and will continue to accrue until the loan is paid in full. PLUS loans are subject to an origination fee of 3%, charged by the lender, and a federal default fee of 1%, charged by the guarantor. Fees are deducted from each disbursement.

LOAN LIMITS

Under the PLUS program, a student may borrow up to the cost of attendance (as determined by the Office of Financial Aid) minus other aid and/or resources awarded.

CollegeInvest

1. **Parents choosing CollegeInvest please logon to www.studentloanonline.com and select the "Get Started" button to begin the MPN process.**
 - ✓ This process will require you to complete an online credit check.
 - ✓ **If approved**, you will continue on to complete the MPN. **If denied**, you may choose to contact CollegeInvest via email askops@college-assist.com, with "Dispute Credit Check" in the subject line, to attempt to resolve the reason for denial. You will also be notified by CollegeInvest via mail of your approval or denial status.
2. **Submit the attached PLUS Request Form**
 - ✓ After you have completed your MPN, you must then submit the attached PLUS Request Form. You may either bring the form into our office, send it by mail, or fax this form to 303.871.2341.
 - ✓ Your PLUS request will be certified within 5-7 business days of receipt*.
 - ✓ Once your loan has been certified, please allow 3-5 business days for funds to arrive**

Other Lender

1. **Parents choosing a lender other than CollegeInvest must contact that lender directly regarding instructions for completing both the credit check and MPN.**
 - ✓ Once you have been approved and have completed an MPN, your lender will send an electronic loan certification request to DU. All loans for the current award year will be certified within 5-7 business days of receipt*.
 - ✓ After the loan has been certified, your lender will then send funds to DU for the current academic year. You generally want to allow 7-10 business days for funds to arrive, however, it could be longer depending on your lender**.

If you are requesting additional funds due to a credit overload or a one time only computer expense, please contact the Office of Financial Aid and speak with an advisor for information on completing a Budget Adjustment Form.

You are not required to submit the attached PLUS Request Form as your lender will notify DU regarding your approved credit and intent to borrow.

LOAN DISBURSEMENTS

PLUS loans funds are sent directly to DU no earlier than ten (10) days prior to the start of the term. Funds are applied first to the student's account to pay for charges (e.g., tuition, room and board, fees). Credit balances are then issued to the student or parent (as per the PLUS loan request form) as a check or direct deposit from the Bursar's Office.

LOAN REPAYMENT

Repayment begins sixty (60) days after the final disbursement to the student's account for the academic year. Borrowers are responsible for both the interest and the principal. Borrowers interested in forbearance should contact their lender directly.

*Applies only to request submitted for the current award year.

**Applies only to loans requests submitted for the current term in progress

Federal PLUS Loan for Parents of Dependent Students Request Form

The Federal PLUS loan allows parents of dependent undergraduate students to borrow funds to pay for their student's education. Eligibility is not based upon demonstrated financial need; however, lenders must consider the borrower to be creditworthy. The amount that can be borrowed may not exceed a student's cost of attendance minus other financial aid and/or resources.

NOTE: This is not an actual loan application. Once your request for a loan has been processed, you will receive notification from CollegeInvest. All Federal PLUS loans are subject to fees of up to 3%, charged by your lender, and a 1% federal default fee, charged by the guarantor. **PLUS loans will not be processed unless a valid FAFSA is on file with the Office of Financial Aid.**

Student's name: _____ ID#: _____

Parent borrower's SS#: _____ Relationship to student: _____

Parent's last name: _____ First: _____ MI: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent's date of birth: _____ Phone #: _____

Driver's License # _____ State _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen? ___ Yes ___ No, but I am an Eligible Non-Citizen: #A _____

Email address: _____

Academic year for the loan: _____ (i.e. 2006-2007, 2007-2008, etc.) *An academic year begins in Fall and goes through Summer

I am applying for a CollegeInvest Parent PLUS loan for the following term(s):

Requests for Summer loan will be processed separately from other terms

___ Fall/Winter/Spring ___ Fall only

___ Fall/Winter ___ Winter only

___ Winter/Spring ___ Spring only

___ Summer only

Does this request apply to any of these budgetary items:

Credit overload Yes No; Computer expense (one time only!) Yes No

Requested loan amount: _____ *If you do not request a specific dollar amount, your PLUS loan request will not be processed. Is this an increase from a previously submitted request? Yes No

If a credit balance remains after the PLUS loan is applied to the student's account, I authorize the credit balance to be:

___ issued to the student ___ returned to me, the parent.

By completing this information, the parent borrower authorizes the lender, or its servicing agent, to investigate his or her credit record to determine his or her eligibility for a Federal PLUS loan. To determine the eligibility for a PLUS loan, the lender or its agent is authorized to obtain a routine consumer credit report and to verify the credit information with the parent's creditors. The lender, or its agents, may disclose the results of such reports to any school or agency in connection with the PLUS loan. If such reports are obtained, detailed information about the nature and scope of the investigation will be made available to the parent upon his or her written request within a reasonable period of time as required by the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

I understand that this is a request form and not a loan application.

Parent's signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this form to: Office of Financial Aid, University of Denver, 2197 S. University Blvd., Denver, CO 80208

Phone: 303.871.4020 Fax: 303.871.2341