



## 2020-2021 GRAD/PLUS Loan Request Form

Financial Aid Office  
1100 E. 14th Street  
PMB A-8  
Ada, Oklahoma 74820  
Phone: 580-559-5243  
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Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

In order to have a GRAD/PLUS Loan processed, you must complete, sign, and return this form to the Financial Aid Office. Students must also complete Grad/PLUS Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note at [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov) before a PLUS Loan can be processed. Refer to the back of this form for important information on PLUS Loans.

Borrower Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Borrower SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Borrower Driver's License No. \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Borrower Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Borrower Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Borrower Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Loan Term Requested:

☐ Full Year (August -May)

☐ Fall Only (August-December)

☐ Spring Only (January-May)

☐ Summer Only (June-July)

GRAD/PLUS Loan Requested Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information provided on this form is correct and complete. Further, I certify I am not liable for an overpayment of any federal grant or loan made, not in default, and that I do not have property subject to a judgment lien for debt owed to the United States. I have read and understand the information provided on this form (front and back). I understand that this is a loan and must be repaid, with interest, in full.

Further, as a borrower, I consent to the U.S. Department of Education and its agents obtaining a report of my credit record and using the information from that report in determining whether to make a Direct GRAD/PLUS Loan to me. I understand that I will be notified in writing of the results of the credit check with respect to my loan application.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Federal Direct PLUS Loans

The Federal GRAD/PLUS Loan is a low-interest, federally funded loan program available to graduate students enrolled at least half time (**five credit hours**).

**Interest Rate** : PLUS loans have an interest rate of 7.00% (this rate is subject to change).

**Master Promissory Note**: A master promissory note is a legally binding document that lists the conditions under which you are borrowing and the terms under which you agree to repay the loan. The master promissory note can be completed online at [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov). If you are unable to access the master promissory note online, contact the Financial Aid Office or you're the Department of Education for assistance.

**Eligibility Requirements:**

1. You must be fully admitted to a graduate program and be enrolled at least half time (four credit hours). The hours enrolled must be degree requirements. Certificate programs are not eligible for GRAD/PLUS Loan funds.
2. You must be a U. S. citizen or national, or an eligible non-citizen.
3. You must have no unresolved defaults or overpayments owed on a Title IV education loan or grant.
4. You must pass a minimal credit check. The credit review is a basic screening for adverse credit and does not take your income, assets, or debt into consideration.

**Borrowing Limits**: You may borrow up to the cost of attendance less other aid received.

**Disbursement**: Funds are disbursed directly to the school according to the disbursement dates provided by the school.

**Repayment**: Begins within 60 days after the final disbursement of the loan. However, as long as you are enrolled on at least a half-time basis, you may be eligible for an in-school deferment. This allows you to postpone payments on your Direct GRAD/PLUS Loan until you graduate or drop below half-time status. The standard loan repayment term is 10 years. There is no grace period for a Direct GRAD/PLUS Loan. Your first payment will be due within 45 days after the deferment end date. Interest is charged on a Direct GRAD/PLUS Loan beginning on the date of the first loan disbursement, and it continues to be charged during periods of deferment or forbearance. You may either pay the interest as it accrues, or you may allow the interest to be capitalized at the end of the deferment or forbearance. Capitalization increases the total loan amount that you must repay. You can obtain estimated monthly payment amounts for different debt levels or for other repayment plans by contacting the Direct Loan Servicing Center online at [www.dl.ed.gov](http://www.dl.ed.gov). You may consolidate a Direct GRAD/PLUS Loan with your other eligible student loans into a single consolidation loan after you leave school. The repayment period for a consolidation loan begins as soon as the loan is made. There is no grace period. Therefore, if you want to consolidate a Direct GRAD/PLUS Loan with your other student loans that have a grace period, you should wait to do so until shortly before the end of the grace period on the other loans.

**Capitalization**: The process of adding unpaid interest to the principal loan amount, thereby increasing the balance that future interest accrues on, and the total amount to be repaid. To save money, pay interest before it is capitalized.

### Privacy Act Disclosure Notice

The Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) requires that the following notice be provided to you. The authority for collecting the information requested on this form is §451 et seq. of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. Your disclosure of this information is voluntary. However, if you do not provide this information, you cannot be considered for a Direct PLUS Loan. The information on this form will be used to determine your eligibility for a Direct PLUS Loan. The information in your file may be disclosed to third parties as authorized under routine uses in the Privacy Act notices called "Title IV Program Files" (originally published on April 12, 1994, Federal Register, Vol. 59 p. 65532). Thus, this information may be disclosed to federal and state agencies, private parties such as relatives, present and former employers and creditors, and contractors of the Department of Education for purposes of administration of the student financial assistance program, for enforcement purposes, for litigation where such disclosure is compatible with the purposes for which the records were collected, for use by federal, state, local, or foreign agencies in connection with employment matters or the issuance of a license, grant, or other benefit, for use in any employee grievance or discipline proceeding in which the Federal Government is a party, for use in connection with audits or other investigations, for research purposes, for purposes of determining whether particular records are required to be disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act, and to a Member of Congress in response to an inquiry from the congressional office made at your written request.

Because we request your social security number (SSN), we must inform you that we collect your SSN on a voluntary basis, but section 484(a)(4) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1091 (a)(4)) provides that, in order to receive any grant, loan, or work assistance under Title IV of the HEA, a student must provide his or her SSN. Your SSN is used to verify your identity, and as an account number (identifier) throughout the life of your loan(s) so that data may be recorded accurately.