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Plus Loan for Parents Graduate Students

Application Guide and Preferred Lender List

Important Processing Information:

1. You may apply for a Plus loan if:
 - You are a graduate student.
 - You are the biological parent of a Biola student (grandparents, guardians, etc. are not eligible for the Plus Loan.)
2. Requirements:
 - Student and parents must be either U.S. citizens, or eligible non-citizens with a U.S. address.
 - Student must be enrolled at least half-time in an eligible degree program. (Certificate programs are not eligible.)
3. Before we can process your Plus loan, the student must:
 - Be accepted for enrollment by the Admissions Office.
 - Apply for financial aid with a 2007-2008 FAFSA.
4. Application processing time for the school can take on average two to three weeks from the time of receiving a complete application.
Please apply at least one month prior to registration if the Plus is necessary for enrollment.

What You Need to Know

How much can I borrow?

You may borrow up to the cost of attendance minus estimated financial aid.

What is a Master Promissory Note?

The application and Master Promissory Note (MPNs) is one document. When you complete the application, you also complete the promissory note and are promising to repay the loan. In order to receive a loan, you must sign a MPN. The MPN is your promise to pay the full amount of the

loan plus interest. It is the legal document that describes the terms and conditions of your loan, including the type of loan and amount you are borrowing, the interest rate you will pay and when you must begin repayment.

What is a disclosure statement?

Your lender will send you a Notice of Guarantee and Disclosure Statement when your loan proceeds are disbursed. This statement identifies the specific terms of your loan and includes the:

- Type and amount of your loan
- Amount of the guarantee fee
- Amount of the origination fee
- Interest rate you will pay
- Estimated dates your loan should be disbursed

How will my loan be disbursed?

For full year loans, your loan will be disbursed in two installments, one in the fall and one in the spring. A proportionate amount of the guarantee and origination fees will be deducted from each disbursement. Your loan proceeds will be made co-payable to you and the student's school. After obtaining authorization, the student's school will deliver the loan funds.

When does repayment begin?

Repayment of the Federal Plus Loan begins after the final disbursement of the loan. The first payment is due no later than 60 days from the date of the final disbursement. You may repay your loan over as many as 10 years.

The borrower may apply for an in school deferment with the lender while he/she is enrolled at least half-time.

[Calculation Worksheet/Preferred Lender List](#) 

Calculation Worksheet

Financial Aid: see estimated or confirmed aid if available

Grants and Scholarships	\$ _____
Federal Perkins Loan or Biola Loan	\$ _____
Federal Stafford Loan	\$ _____
Other Financial Aid	\$ _____
Total Financial Assistance	\$ _____

Cost: go to http://www.biola.edu/undergrad/financial_aid/tuition_costs.cfm

Tuition	\$ _____
Room & Board (if applicable)	\$ _____
Total Cost	\$ _____

Additional Costs:

If you wish, you may also add in the estimated cost of any item listed below:

Books & Supplies	\$ _____
Personal Expenses	\$ _____
Transportation	\$ _____
Total Additional Costs	\$ _____

PLUS Loan Calculation:

$$\left(\frac{\text{Cost}}{\text{Cost}} + \frac{\text{Additional Costs}}{\text{Additional Costs}} \right) - \frac{\text{Financial Aid}}{\text{Financial Aid}} = \$ \frac{\text{Maximum PLUS Loan Amount}}{\text{Maximum PLUS Loan Amount}}$$

If the requested loan amount exceeds the cost of education, your loan amount will be adjusted down to fit. If you have any questions concerning this worksheet or need any assistance in determining your Plus loan amount, please feel free to contact the Financial Aid Office.

Preferred Lender List:

www.biola.edu/undergrad/financial_aid/loans.cfm

SunTrust Education Loans

www.suntrustededucation.com/biola-plus • Phone: 800.552.3006

- **1% Interest Rate Reduction at Repayment**
- **0.25% Interest Rate Reduction for automated payments.** Parents/Grads can reduce the interest rate on their Plus loan by 1/4% when they allow their monthly loan payments to be automatically drafted from a personal bank account.

Chase

www.chasestudentloans.com/custom/biola • Phone: 800.366.0032

- 0.3% interest rate reduction applied immediately after first disbursement
- 0.3% interest rate reduction with ACH payments
- 1.2% principal reduction after the first 12 on-time payments
- 2.4% principal reduction after the first 24 on-time payments

CLC

www.collegeloan.com/Biola • Phone: 888-972-0852

- 0.25% rate reduction for ACH
- 5% rebate of PBO after 48 on-time payments

Wachovia Education Finance

www.educaid.com/schools/biolaplus • Phone: 800.338.2243

- 0% Federal Default Fee, Rebate = to 1% of original principal at beginning of repayment
- Rebate = to 1% of original principal if 1st 12 scheduled payments on time
- Rebate = to 1.5% of original principal if 1st 24 scheduled payments on time
- Borrower must sign up for auto debit no later than 3rd month of repayment to qualify for rebates
- PLUS credit counseling
- Forbearance option up to four years

Wells Fargo

<http://wfefs.wellsfargo.com/jump/ca/biola.html> • Phone: 800-658-3567

- Wells Fargo will pay the 1% default fee on your behalf if not paid by guarantor
- 1.5% interest rate reduction after borrower makes the first 36 consecutive monthly payments and uses our convenient electronic billing statement feature
- 0.25% interest rate reduction when WF automatically withdraws payment from checking or savings accounts and borrower uses our convenient electronic billing statement feature
- Grad Plus borrowers receive an additional .50% interest rate reduction at first disbursement

Non-Preferred Lender Notice: By law, you may choose any lender you would like. However, we highly encourage you to choose a lender on our preferred lender list, as these lenders have aligned themselves to Biola's internal process, enabling us to better serve our parents and students. We cannot guarantee that we have a working relationship, or the ability to communicate with certain lenders not on our list. Therefore choosing a lender not on our list may delay the processing and/or receipt of funds. It is the borrower's responsibility to resolve any issues/problems that may arise directly with the lender.

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 Lender Code: 811303

