

## Federal Direct GRAD PLUS Application Process 2020-2021

**Step 1:** Log in to <https://studentaid.gov>

**Step 2:** Click Apply for Grad PLUS Loan

The screenshot shows a navigation menu with four main categories: UNDERSTAND AID, APPLY FOR AID, COMPLETE AID PROCESS, and MANAGE LOANS. The 'APPLY FOR AID' category is selected and expanded, showing a list of options. The option 'Apply for a Grad PLUS Loan' is highlighted with a red underline and a red arrow pointing to it.

UNDERSTAND AID	APPLY FOR AID	COMPLETE AID PROCESS	MANAGE LOANS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Section Overview</li><li>Complete the FAFSA® Form<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>FAFSA Deadlines</li><li>Filling Out the FAFSA Form</li><li>Reviewing and Correcting Your FAFSA Form</li><li>Renewing Your FAFSA Form</li></ul></li><li>Apply for a PLUS Loan<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><u>Apply for a Grad PLUS Loan</u></li><li>Apply for a Parent PLUS Loan</li><li>Endorse a PLUS Loan</li><li>Appeal a Credit Decision</li><li>Complete PLUS Credit Counseling</li></ul></li></ul>		

**Step 3:** Click Start.

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## DIRECT PLUS LOAN APPLICATION

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Direct PLUS Loan Application for Graduate/Professional Students  
William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program  
Federal Direct PLUS Loan Request for Supplemental Information

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**What is a Direct PLUS Loan Application for Graduate/Professional Students?**

This is a request for supplemental information in connection with your application for a Federal Direct PLUS Loan (Direct PLUS Loan) through the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program. Some schools may have a different process for obtaining the additional information needed to process your Direct PLUS Loan application.

The information that you provide will be sent to the school that you select. The school you select will use the information collected to determine your eligibility for a Direct PLUS Loan and process your application.

Before you can receive a Direct PLUS Loan, you must complete a Direct PLUS Loan Master Promissory Note (Direct PLUS Loan MPN), which explains all of the terms and conditions of Direct PLUS Loans and constitutes your legally binding agreement to repay all Direct PLUS Loans that you receive under the Direct PLUS Loan MPN. You will have an opportunity to complete the Direct PLUS Loan MPN after you complete the Direct PLUS Loan Request.

The Direct PLUS Loan Application allows you to authorize the school to use your loan funds to satisfy other educationally related charges after tuition and fees, and room and board have been paid. You are not required to provide this authorization.

**BEFORE YOU CONTINUE:** If you have placed a security freeze on your credit file, you must lift or remove the freeze at each credit bureau before you continue. Your application will not be processed if you have a security freeze.

**Apply for a PLUS Loan**


**START**

[Preview a read-only version of the Graduate/Professional Direct PLUS Loan Application](#)

**Who should complete this?**

- Eligible graduate/professional students

**How long will it take?**

 The entire Direct PLUS Loan Application process must be completed in a single session. It takes approximately 20 minutes to complete the application.

### Step 4:

- Select the Award Year **2020-2021**. Selecting any other Award Year will inhibit us from moving forward on your application for the upcoming school year.
- Select if the School of Nursing can use your GRAD PLUS funds to satisfy any charges beyond tuition and fees. You are free to leave this unchecked and it doesn't affect your application.
- Select the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing from the Dropdown under School and Loan Information. If any other school is selected, we will not receive your information (see Figure 3 below)

## Select an Award Year

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**Award Year:**

– Select –▼\*

!An Award Year is required

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I authorize the school to use my Direct PLUS Loan to pay for other educationally related charges that I incur at the school, as described above.

### School and Loan Information

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#### Select School to Notify

U.S. Schools/U.S. Territory Schools

Non U.S. Schools

#### Choose a state:

- Select - ▼

#### Search school by name:

Select or type ▼

Add a school using search or filters on the left

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### Step 5:

- Select the amount of GRAD PLUS being requested.
  - The first option is to borrow the maximum amount. The maximum amount of the loan that can be borrowed is listed as the Anticipated GRAD PLUS under Accept Awards in SIS. However, it may be higher once loan fees are calculated.
  - The second option can manually be entered and in any amount.
  - The third option consists of our office contacting you to discuss the amount you would like to borrow.
- Select the Loan Period
  - Students enrolled in the following programs should choose **5/2020 – 5/2021** as their Loan Period.
    - MSN/MPH
    - DNP Executive Practice
    - DNP/Nurse Anesthesiology
    - DNP/PhD
  - Students in all other programs should choose **9/2020 – 8/2021** as their Loan Period. (see Figure 4 below)

#### Loan Amount Requested

For each academic year, you may borrow up to - but not more than - the school's cost of attendance, minus the amount of other financial assistance that you receive. The school determines the cost of attendance based on federal guidelines. It is important not to borrow more than you can afford to repay, even if you are eligible to borrow more.

I want to borrow the maximum Direct PLUS Loan amount for which I am eligible, as determined by the school.

I would like to specify a loan amount.

I don't know the amount I want to borrow. I will contact the school.

#### Loan Period [More Information](#)

Specify the loan period for which you are requesting a Direct PLUS Loan:

Loan Period Requested:

05/2019 - 05/2020	▼
05/2019 - 05/2020	
09/2019 - 08/2020	
Other	

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## Step 6: Enter your information as the Borrower

1 Loan Information ✓ 2 Borrower Information 3 Review 4 Credit Check & Submit

### Borrower Information

**Loan Default Status**  
You aren't in default on any federal student loans.  
Based on information received from the National Student Loan Data System, **you aren't in default** on any federal student loans.

**Permanent Address** [More Information](#)

Address (line 1):  \* State:  \*

Address (line 2):  Zip Code:  \*

City:  \* Country:  \*

This is my current permanent address. If permanent address information is incorrect, update as needed.

Is your mailing address different than your permanent address? [More Information](#)

Yes  No

**Contact Information**

Email Address: [More Information](#)

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Confirm Email Address:  \*

## Step 7: Review the information to ensure it is correct

1 Loan Information ✓ 2 Borrower Information ✓ 3 Review 4 Credit Check & Submit

Review all information provided and verify that it is correct.

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**Step 8:** Review the Important Notices and submit after certification.

1 Loan Information ✓ 2 Borrower Information ✓ 3 Review ✓ 4 Credit Check & Submit

## Certifications

You must review the **IMPORTANT NOTICES** before you can continue.

**OPEN IMPORTANT NOTICES**



If you have placed a security freeze on your credit file, you must lift or remove the freeze at each credit bureau before you continue. Your application will not be processed if you have a security freeze.

You must read and agree to the statements below by clicking on the boxes.

I certify that

- (1) the information I have provided on this Direct PLUS Loan Request for Supplemental Information is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and is made in good faith, and
- (2) I have read and understood the entire Direct PLUS Loan Request for Supplemental Information, including the Important Notices.

For the loan that I am requesting by completing this Direct PLUS Loan Request for Supplemental Information, I authorize the U.S. Department of Education to check my credit history for the purpose of determining my eligibility for the loan(s), and to report information about my loan eligibility to persons and organizations permitted by law to receive that information.

Your Direct PLUS Loan Request for Supplemental Information cannot be processed unless you authorize the U.S. Department of Education to check your credit history. One of the eligibility requirements for receiving a Direct PLUS Loan is that you must not have an adverse credit history, unless you meet certain other requirements. The credit decision resulting from your credit decision will be sent to the school that you have selected.