



**SUBSIDIZED/UNSUBSIDIZED FEDERAL DIRECT LOANS:**

There are two types of Direct Loans: Subsidized and Unsubsidized. The loans require at least half-time enrollment, and do not require a credit check or co-signer.

Subsidized – undergraduate students only

- Interest free while you are enrolled at least half-time.

Unsubsidized – undergraduate and graduate students

- Interest accrues from the time of disbursement. Interest may either be paid while you are enrolled or capitalized to the principal amount prior to entering repayment.

For more information on Federal student loans and the current interest rate visit <https://studentaid.gov>.

**STEPS TO SECURE YOUR LOAN FUNDING FOR 2023-2024**

1. **All Direct Loan Borrowers:** All borrowers also complete the following:
  - a. **Annual Student Loan Acknowledgement** <https://studentaid.gov>
  - b. **Accept/Decline Financial Aid Offer**
    - i. To accept your financial aid, go to [our.crown.edu](http://our.crown.edu). Enter your Crown network username and password to login. Select the students tab and then Financial Services on the left-hand side. Under Financial Aid Information Portal click “View and accept financial aid.”
2. **New Direct Loan Borrowers: After March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023,** go to <https://studentaid.gov>. Log in using your student FSA ID and password. Click on “In school” and complete the following:
  - a. **Loan Agreement for Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loan (MPN)**
  - b. **Entrance Counseling**
  - c. **Annual Student Loan Acknowledgment**

**Undergraduate Maximum Annual Loan Limits\***

	Dependent Student	Independent Student
Freshmen	\$5,500 – No more than \$3,500 of this amount may be subsidized	\$9,500 – No more than \$3,500 of this amount may be subsidized
Sophomore	\$6,500 – No more than \$4,500 of this amount may be subsidized	\$10,500 – No more than \$4,500 of this amount may be subsidized
Junior & Senior (each)	\$7,500 – No more than \$5,500 of this amount may be subsidized	\$12,500 – No more than \$5,500 of this amount may be subsidized
Maximum Debt (Aggregate Limits)	\$31,000 – No more than \$23,000 of This amount may be in subsidized loans.	\$57,500 – No more than \$23,000 of this Amount may be in subsidized loans.
Graduate and Professional	Graduate students may borrow Unsubsidized loan up to the cost of attendance as determined by the school. Not to exceed \$20,500. Maximum debt - \$138,500 (includes loans received for undergraduate study).	

\*Please note that this chart shows maximum amounts students may receive. The amount you qualify to borrow may be less depending on your cost of attendance, financial need and other financial assistance.

## **Loan Fees and Disbursement:**

The anticipated fee for Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans is approximately 1% and 4.2% for Plus Loans. Loan funds (less the fees) are disbursed directly to the student's Crown College account, and they are evenly split between the terms of enrollment.

## **ADDITIONAL LOAN OPTIONS:**

Private Educational and Federal Parent student loans can help students pay the remaining balance on their student bill. Applications are available beginning May 1, 2023.

## **Private Educational Student Loans:**

Private Educational Student loans are credit based and most students will be required to obtain a credit worthy co-signer. Interest rates and terms of repayment vary by lender. There are a variety of loan options available, so make sure to research multiple options to find the best fit for your long-term goals.

### Requirements:

- Student is the borrower.
  - Co-signer requirements are determined by the lender.
  - Co-signer does not have to be a parent.
- Apply early – the loan takes 4 to 6 weeks for processing.

### Steps to Apply:

- Research and choose a lender.
  - Go to [crown.edu/loans](https://crown.edu/loans) and select private student loans. You are not limited to the lenders listed on our website. If you use a bank not listed on the website, you may want to check with them regarding educational loans.
- Apply with your chosen lender.
  - Contact your lender with questions on the status of your loan.

## **Federal Parent (PLUS) Loan:**

Parents of dependent undergraduate students may apply for the PLUS Loan. This is a fixed interest rate loan, with an additional origination fee. The anticipated interest rate for 2023-2024 is published after June 1. For information visit <https://studentaid.gov>. Interest accrues from the time of disbursement and repayment begins 60 days after the loan is fully disbursed.

### Requirements:

- Parent is the borrower.
- Parent (borrower) credit check.
  - Limited to parents who do not have an adverse credit history.
  - If a parent is denied a PLUS Loan, the dependent student may qualify for an additional Unsubsidized Direct Loan.
- Repayment begins while the student is in school.
  - Deferment options may be available. Contact the loan servicer for more information.

### Parent's Steps to Apply:

1. Go to <https://studentaid.gov> and select Parent.
2. Select apply for a Parent PLUS Loan.
3. Sign in using the parent's FSA ID and Password.
4. If approved for the PLUS Loan, complete PLUS MPN for Parents.