

2011-12 FEDERAL DIRECT GRADUATE PLUS LOAN APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZATION

Name: _____ WSU OneCard ID#: _____

Yr. in Med School: _____ Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FIRST-TIME BORROWERS:

1. SIGN A MASTER PROMISSORY NOTE:

- Complete a Graduate PLUS Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN) at www.StudentLoans.gov.
• Select 'Wayne State University' (not 'WSU School of Medicine') as the school you will attend.

2. COMPLETE ENTRANCE LOAN COUNSELING at www.StudentLoans.gov.

- There is one combined session for Subsidized, Unsubsidized, and Graduate PLUS Loans that must be completed before loan funds can be paid to your account.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL BORROWERS:

1. Log into www.pipeline.wayne.edu, go to the "Financial Aid" tab, and "accept" your loan offers:

- "Accept" your Subsidized and Unsubsidized loan offers (fixed 6.8% interest rate) before borrowing the higher interest rate Graduate PLUS Loan (fixed 7.9% interest rate).

2. Complete this form and submit it to our office via fax, email, drop-off or mail. Processing of your Graduate PLUS Loan request will not occur until this form is submitted.

A. GRADUATE PLUS LOAN AMOUNT REQUESTED:

\$ _____ Confirm the amount you "accepted" on WSU Pipeline.

(To change the amount after it has been "accepted", submit a Graduate PLUS Loan Revision/Authorization form.)

The maximum Graduate PLUS Loan you may borrow each year is capped at your Cost of Attendance minus all other financial aid. Per federal regulations, your eligibility may change if other aid amounts are increased.

B. AUTHORIZATION FOR CREDIT CHECK:

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 Federal Direct Graduate 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: _____

NOTE: It is important that you 1) establish a budget; 2) borrow only what you need; 3) keep track of your loan indebtedness. Use the Financial Literacy 101 Webinar for money management tools and budget calculators at www.aamc.org/first.

FOR OFFICE USE: Date Certified: _____ FAA Initials: _____ Loan Amt Certified: \$ _____

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DIRECT LOAN SERVICING CENTER

Call Toll Free 1-800-848-0979 (TTY 1-800-848-0983) or go to www.StudentLoans.gov to obtain loan account information, request a deferment or forbearance, change repayment plans, make online payments, set up automatic payments, and for other services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

CREDIT HISTORY: A credit check will be performed by the U.S. Department of Education is part of your application process. You must not have an adverse credit history as the result of: 1) being 90 or more days delinquent on any debt or 2) within 5 years of the date of the credit report, being the subject of a default determination, bankruptcy discharge, foreclosure, repossession, tax lien, wage garnishment, or write-off of a Federal Student Aid debt such as a federal student loan.

ENDORSER OPTION: If an adverse credit history exists, an endorser (co-borrower) who does not have an adverse credit history will be required to co-sign your loan. An endorser is someone who agrees to repay the loan if you do not repay it. If you borrow with an endorser, you will be required to complete a new Master Promissory Note each year.

ENROLLMENT: You must maintain at least half-time enrollment in a graduate or professional program and meet all other eligibility requirements for Federal Student Aid. Enrollment for the School of Medicine: Full-time = 24 to 50 credits; Half-time = 12 to 23 credits.

CHANGES TO ENROLLMENT: If your enrollment status changes due to a Modified Program, Special Matriculation, or Leave of Absence, contact the Office of Student Financial Aid to determine whether a financial aid revision will be required.

LOAN LIMITS

You may borrow up to your full Cost of Attendance, minus all other financial aid (including Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans, College Work Study awards, grants and scholarships.) If additional financial aid is awarded after your loan amounts are calculated, your loan amounts will be reviewed and if necessary, will be decreased.

INTEREST RATE, FEE, & REBATE

The Federal Direct PLUS Loan interest rate is fixed at **7.9%**.

The U.S. Department of Education charges a loan fee of 4% of the principal amount borrowed.

An up-front interest rebate repayment incentive (equal to 1.5% of the loan principal amount) is credited at disbursement.

IN SCHOOL and POST SCHOOL DEFERMENT

The Federal Direct PLUS Loan qualifies for deferment while you remain enrolled at least half-time and for an additional six-month post-enrollment period. The Direct Loan Servicing Center will notify you before your deferment ends.

REPAYMENT STRATEGIES

The Federal Direct PLUS Loan qualifies for forbearance during eligible periods of medical residency, and deferment during eligible periods of graduate fellowship. There are multiple repayment plans including Standard, Graduated, Extended, Income Based, Income Contingent and Income Sensitive. Interest begins to accrue at the time Graduate PLUS Loans are disbursed.

CONSOLIDATION

You may consolidate your Direct PLUS Loans with your other eligible student loans into a single consolidation loan after you leave school. If consolidating loans that have a grace period with loans that do not, consider waiting until all grace periods have ended.

NATIONAL STUDENT LOAN DATA SYSTEM: View your federal student loan borrowing history at www.nsls.ed.gov. Federal student loans include Federal Subsidized, Federal Unsubsidized, Federal Consolidation, Federal PLUS and Graduate PLUS, and Federal Perkins Loans.

Retain this Information Sheet for your records.