



Monroe County Community College

How to Apply for a Federal Stafford Loan Federal Family Education Loan Program

Plan to apply early.

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First (if you have not done so) complete a **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** on the Web at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>. If you include the school code **#002294** on your **FAFSA-On-the-Web** submission, Monroe County Community College (MCCC) will receive an electronic copy of your results (Student Aid Report).

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Complete the **On-line Entrance Counseling** module at <http://www.nelnet.net/counseling/default.asp?type=B&g=00229400>. Fill out a **Master Promissory Note (MPN)** at <http://www.nelnet.net/apps/welcome.asp?sid=00229400>, then print the completed **MPN**. Please be sure to **Read the Promissory Note** to understand your rights and responsibilities.

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Next bring or send the application into the MCCC Financial Aid Office. If you are eligible they will process your application. The lender reviews the information submitted, and forwards it to your Guaranty Agency.

This is a loan that must be repaid.

Student Loan Policies

1. Tuition at Monroe County Community College is among the lowest in the State of Michigan, consequently, the need for student loans should be carefully considered.
 2. Student's indebtedness is a major concern with the U.S. Department of Education and this College. Loan default rates which effect funding appropriations, are also a major consideration for all colleges. These policies have been implemented to help reduce the level of student indebtedness and the risk of possible default.
 3. Monroe County Community College's Financial Aid Office has implemented the following restrictions and procedures for all student loans.
 - A. Students may not be on Academic Probation. They must be making satisfactory academic progress (2.0 GPA and 70% completion of credits taken) towards their degree to be considered for a loan as described in MCCC Standards of Progress Brochure.
 - B. Students must secure their instructor's signature(s) for each class certifying they are attending class and making satisfactory academic progress before loan proceeds will be released each semester.
 - C. The U.S. Department of Education requires schools to implement a Delayed Certification Policy for all new students who apply for loans. This policy ensures loan proceeds are not delivered to the student prior to the 30th day of the enrollment period.
 - D. All applications for student loans will be processed through a Credit Bureau to determine willingness to pay financial obligations. If there is a history of unwillingness or inability to meet financial obligations, the student loan may be denied by the Director of Financial Aid. Authority for this action is included in Public Law 102-26 signed by President Bush on April 9, 1991.
 - E. Students must allow three days for the College to process checks received. Loan counseling must be completed before a loan disbursement is made.
 - F. Failure to meet all of the above procedures could cause the College to return your disbursement to the lending institution.
 4. Student loans will be considered for our regular Fall and Winter semesters only.
- At Monroe County Community College, Financial Aid is available to all students who demonstrate need. Grants and gift aid are the primary sources used to help students pay for college. College Work-Study is encouraged for all financial aid students as the secondary source of aid. Loans should be requested only as a last resort.
- Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding Monroe County Community College's student loan policies.

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Request for Federal Stafford Loan Funds

I certify that everything stated on my Stafford Loan Application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have read and understand the Monroe County Community College Student Loan Policy.

MCCC is authorized to check my credit history, employment history, and educational history.

Stafford Loan amount requested for the 2004-2005 academic school year is \$_____.

Student Signature

Date

Social Security Number

This form must be completed and returned to the Financial Aid Office before student loan processing begins.

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Loan Program Descriptions

Loan applications will be accepted throughout the school term. To be sure you get your check when you need it, ask your financial aid administrator for recommended deadlines.

	Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan	Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan
Program Description	This is a long-term, variable-rate low-interest loan designed to provide students with additional funds for college. Interest is paid by the federal government while in school. You must repay this aid.	Same Interest accrues from date of disbursement and must be paid or capitalized. Same - See "Postponement of Repayment"
Eligibility	Full and half-time undergraduate students and graduate students. Your school will determine your eligibility. FAFSA required.	Full and half-time graduate and undergraduate students. Graduate and independent undergraduate students could be eligible for additional funds under this program. You school will determine your eligibility. Same
Maximum Loan Amount	Undergraduate students Freshman - \$2,625 Sophomore - \$3,500 Junior, Senior, and 5th Year - \$5,500 Graduate students All levels - \$8,500	Undergraduate Students* Freshman - \$2,625 Sophomore - \$3,500 Junior, Senior, and 5th Year - \$5,500 Graduate Students* All levels - \$18,500 * Includes Federal Stafford Subsidized Amounts
Minimum Annual Amount	\$100	Same
Maximum Lifetime Amount	Undergraduate students - \$23,000 Graduate students - \$65,500	Undergraduate students - \$23,000* Graduate - \$138,500* * Includes Federal Stafford Subsidized Amounts
Repayment Term	Up to 10 years	Same
Minimum Monthly Payment	\$50	Same
Postponement of Repayment	Payments are not due while the student is enrolled at least half time. There is a grace period of 6 months after the student ceases to be enrolled at least half time.	Both principal and interest can be postponed while the student is in school. Students can choose to pay only the interest while in-school. If interest is postponed, it will be capitalized (added to the principal). Check with your lender for their terms. You must check the appropriate box on your application or submit a deferment form to your lender to be eligible. If you choose not to defer repayment, you will begin repayment within 60 days of disbursement.
Interest Rate	First-time student loan borrowers who receive disbursement on or after July 1, 1994, will have an annual variable rate.	Same
Fees	Origination fee - 3% Insurance fee - 1%	Same

Financial Aid programs change. Get the latest information at the College Financial Aid Office.