

STEPS TO APPLY FOR A

Parent PLUS Loan

Fall 2024 - Spring 2025 Award Year

Application opens on May 1, 2024

Federal Direct PLUS Loans are adverse credit-based loans available to parents of dependent undergraduate or graduate professional students. The credit check on the PLUS Loan is valid for 180 days. A FAFSA must be completed before applying.

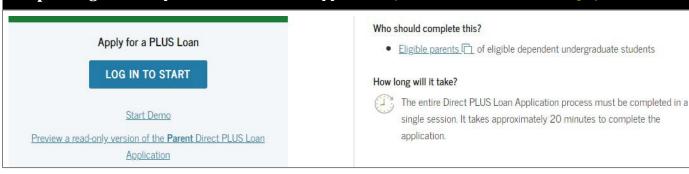
Step 1: Go to http://studentaid.gov

Step 2: From the "Loans and Grants" menu option, select "PLUS Loans: Grad PLUS and Parent PLUS."



Step 3: Select a borrower type.

Step 4: Log in to complete the Parent PLUS Application (Parent must use their FSA ID to log in)



Step 5: Review application decision

- The borrower's adverse credit check results will be available immediately after the application submission and sent electronically to our office for processing.
 - o Please allow up to 7 business days for processing.
 - ➢ If borrower credit is <u>approved</u>, the parent must complete a PLUS Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Annual Student Loan Acknowledgement.
 - If borrower credit is **not approved** (denied), they will have one of the options to:
 - 1. Not pursue the PLUS loan*
 - *The student becomes eligible for additional Direct Unsubsidized Loans based on classification: Fresh/Soph eligible up to \$4,000 Jr/Sr. eligible up to \$5,000. It cannot exceed the cost of attendance.
 - 2. Obtain an endorser (must complete PLUS Counseling, PLUS Loan MPN, and Annual Student Loan Acknowledgement if approved)
 - 3. Appeal the credit decision (must complete PLUS Counseling, PLUS Loan MPN, and Annual Student Loan Acknowledgement if approved)
 - 4. Contact the Student Loan Support Center at 1-800-557-7394 if notified of Reconsideration eligibility.