

2023-2024 FEDERAL DIRECT STUDENT LOAN REQUEST FORM

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to requesting a Federal Direct Student loan. The FAFSA can be filed on-line by going to $\underline{www.fafsa.ed.gov}$.
A first-time Federal Direct Student loan borrower must complete the Master Promissory Note (MPN). The MPN is signed electronically on the web at www.studentaid.gov using your Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID. Be sure to complete all steps. Your FSA ID is the same username and password that you use to sign your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). If you do not remember or have not created an FSA ID, you can retrieve it at www.studentaid.gov
Entrance Counseling Session. The Direct Loan Entrance Counseling session for undergraduate subsidized and unsubsidized loans must be completed online at www.studentaid.gov .
Submit the completed Direct Student Loan Request Form to the Financial Aid Office. Standard processing time for loan applications is 5-7 business days.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- It is not necessary to select a lender for the Federal Direct Student Loan. Brightpoint Community College is a direct lending school and the
 loan is available through the Federal Direct Loan Program with the U.S. Department of Education. Information regarding the loan will be
 submitted to the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS), and will be accessible by guaranty agencies, lenders, and schools
 determined to be authorized users of the data system.
- 1. Please note that the Bipartisan Student Loan Certainty Act of 2013 implemented variable-fixed interest rates on newly originated undergraduate subsidized and unsubsidized loans effective July 1, 2013. Interest rates are determined annually based on the Final Auction of the 10-year U.S. Treasury Bill prior to June 1st and are not to exceed 8.25%. For the 2023-2024 aid year, the interest rate for subsidized and unsubsidized loans is 5.50%.
- 2. You may choose to pay interest on your Direct Unsubsidized loan while you are in school. If you choose not to pay the interest while you are in school, the interest will be added to the unpaid principal amount of your loan. This is called "capitalization," and it can substantially increase the total amount you must repay. Paying the interest as it accrues on your loan while you are in school or during the grace period will save you money. This is also true if you pay any interest that accrues during periods of deferment or forbearance.
- 3. Within the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) (Public Law 112-141), a new provision was added to the Direct Loan statutory requirements that limits a first-time borrower's eligibility for Direct Subsidized Loans to a period not to exceed 150 percent of the length of the borrower's <u>current</u> educational program. A "first-time borrower" refers to a borrower with no balance on a Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) or Direct Loan on/after July 1, 2013. Under certain conditions, the provision also causes first-time borrowers who have exceeded the 150 percent limit to lose the interest subsidy on their Direct Subsidized Loans.
- 4. The Federal Direct Loan MPN must be completed for the initial student loan, but not for subsequent loans. The FAFSA and Student Loan Request Form must be completed each year.
- 5. Approval or denial of the Direct Student Loan is at the discretion of the Financial Aid Office. We reserve the right to deny a loan due to academic deficiency, evidence of improper utilization of the funds, or demonstration of the inability to manage loan debt.
- 6. Loan application priority dates are as follows: Fall semester- May 15th, Spring semester- September 15th, and Summer semester- March 15th of every year. Loan applications will be accepted after these dates, however loan funds may be delayed.
- 7. Loan funds will not disburse until all requirements are complete. Failure to complete all requirements within 30 days of the beginning of the first term of enrollment will result in the cancellation of your loan and any balance will be immediately due to the college. Students can check for processing requirements through their My Brightpoint account at www.brightpoint.edu/mybrightpoint.
- 8. Students have the right to cancel or reduce all or part of the student loan prior to the first day of the semester or within 14 days of notification of the loan by submitting a written statement to the Financial Aid Office or by completing a Federal Direct Student Loan Adjustment Form as soon as possible before disbursement. A parent may not decline a student loan



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Section A: Student Information									
Last Name		First Na	M.I.						
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Student ID Number (EMPLIE	ty Numb	nber Date of Birth							
Home Address	City			State Zip					
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Phone Number			ent Email Address						
Section B: Please complete	the information	below.							
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	DEPENDENT STUDENT (As defined by the FAFSA) MAXIMUM ANNUAL LOAN AMOUNT			,	INDEPENDENT STUDENT (As defined by the FAFSA) MAXIMUM ANNUAL LOAN AMOUNTS				
CLASSIFICATION	SUBSIDIZED	UNSUBSIDIZED	TOTAL ANNUAL LOAN LIMIT		SUBSIDIZED	UNSUBSIDIZE	TOTAL		
FRESHMAN Less than 30 credits earned/transferred at BCC	than 30 credits \$3,500 \$2,000		\$5,5	500	\$3,500	\$6,000	\$9,500		
SOPHMORE 30 credits or more earned/transferred at BCC	\$4,500	\$2,000	\$6,5	500	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$10,500		
NOTE: The more loan funds y semester.	you borrow during t	he Fall/Spring semester	rs, the les	s loan fur	nds you will have a	vailable for the foll	lowing Summer		
Requested Loan Period									
Requested Loan Amount \$ *Please note that a loan fee of 1.057% is assessed resulting in a lesser amount disbursed to your account.									
In the event that you do no	t qualify for a Sub	osidized Loan, should	l we prod	cess this			? \(\text{Yes} \) \(\text{No.} \)		
I understand that to obtain a lo Financial Aid Office, have a					or Office Use Only				
and have completed the online Entrance Counseling Session with the Department of Education. By signing this Loan Request Form, I give consent to					GL FA STAFF Initials				
initiate the loan process for the requested loan period. I understand that I must be enrolled at least half-time for a minimum of 6 credit hours at the time of					TASTAIT IIIIuus	REVIS			
disbursement in order to receive my loan funds. (Electronic Signatures Not					\$				
Permitted)				EFC					
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Signature	Date			Rem. Elig					

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