

mefa Loans

for Graduate Education

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Features and Benefits

- Two **repayment options** — interest-only and deferred — let you choose a loan that meets your needs.
- **Fixed interest rate** provides stable and predictable monthly payments for the life of the loan.
- Step-up repayment strategy features a **lower interest rate while you are in school**, keeping the monthly payment amount low during the in-school years.
- Benefits **Massachusetts residents attending grad school in-state or out-of-state**, and for students from across the U.S. attending a Massachusetts college or university.

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	Interest-Only Repayment	Deferred Repayment
Interest Rate and APR¹	Fixed interest rate of 7.19% during the Anticipated In-School Period; 8.19% thereafter (APR ¹ 8.36% – 8.64%)	Fixed interest rate of 7.69% (APR ¹ 7.98% – 8.27%)
Monthly Payment per \$10,000 borrowed	\$63.36 in-school, then payments step-up to as low as \$105.97 at the end of the in-school period. ²	As low as \$110.85
Fees	4.00% with a co-borrower; 7.00% without a co-borrower	4.00% with a co-borrower; 7.00% without a co-borrower
Repayment Terms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest payment begins 45 days after final disbursement. • Principal repayment begins after the end of the anticipated in-school period.³ • Fixed interest rate is lower during the Anticipated In-School Period³ with a step-up to the higher fixed interest rate upon expected graduation. • The loan must be fully repaid within 15 years of final disbursement.⁴ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full in-school payment deferment.⁵ • Interest payment and principal repayment begin 6 months after the student graduates, leaves the program or reduces to less than half-time status. • The loan must be fully repaid within 15 years of final disbursement.⁴

1. The Annual Percentage Rate (APR) reflects both the accruing interest and the effect of borrowing the origination fee and paying the expected monthly payment over the term of the loan. APR varies with length of deferral, length of in-school period, and the presence of a co-borrower.
2. Monthly payment amount at the end of the in-school period varies according to the length of the in-school period.
3. The graduate Anticipated In-School Period begins on the initial disbursement date of the loan and ends on the date which is expected, at the time of origination, to be the first anniversary of the final disbursement date of the loan on which the student will have completed his or her current course of study (e.g., for a loan for a first year graduate student, three years from the final disbursement date of the loan), but no later than the third anniversary.
4. The Interest-Only Payment Option and Deferment Option do not extend the overall repayment period.
5. Subject to a maximum three-year deferment period.

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