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## Loan Interest Rate & Fees

Your <b>interest rate</b> during the In-School period will be		
	<b>7.59%</b>	

### Your **FIXED** Interest Rate (upon approval)

The interest rates you pay are **FIXED** and change from 7.59% to 8.39% when you move out of your In-School Period (as defined in the reference notes).

### Your Interest Rate during the life of the loan

**Your rate is FIXED.** This means that your interest rates will always be the rates listed on this form and in the MEFA Loan Agreement for this education loan.

### Loan Fees

**Origination Fee:** The origination fee that we charge on this education loan is added to the requested loan amount and repaid over the life of the loan. The fee can range from 4% to 7% of the total loan amount disbursed directly to your school, depending on whether you have a co-borrower on the application.

## Loan Cost Examples

The total amount you will pay for this education loan will vary depending upon your repayment habits. This example provides an estimate based upon the repayment option available to you for this loan product.

<b>Repayment Option</b> (while enrolled in school)	<b>Amount Provided</b> (amount disbursed directly to your school)	<b>Interest Rate</b> (highest possible starting rate)	<b>Loan Term</b> (how long you have to pay off the loan)	<b>Total Paid Over Loan Term</b> (includes associated fees)
<b>1. PAY ONLY THE INTEREST</b> Make interest payments during the In-School Period and defer payments on the principal amount until the end of the In-School period.	\$10,000	7.59% Interest Rate changes to 8.39% after the In-School Period	15 years starting after your final disbursement	<b>\$ 19,233.36</b>

### About this example

The repayment example assumes there is a co-borrower on the application and that your In-School Period is for 3 years before beginning repayment of your principal and interest.

## Federal Loan Alternatives

Loan program	Current Interest Rates by Program Type	
<b>PERKINS</b> for Students	5% fixed	Undergraduate students may receive up to \$5,500 and Graduate and professional degree students-up to \$8,000. Funds depend on student's financial need and availability of funds at the college. Not all colleges participate in the Federal Perkins Loan program.
<b>STAFFORD</b> for Students	3.4% fixed	Undergraduate Subsidized \$3,500-\$5,500 annual maximum depending on grade level.
	6.8% fixed	Undergraduate Unsubsidized & Graduate. Between \$5,500 to \$20,500 (less any subsidized amount received for same period) annual maximum depending on grade level and dependency status.
<b>PLUS</b> for Parents and Graduate / Professional Students	7.9% fixed	Federal Direct Loan

**You may qualify for Federal education loans.**

For additional information, **contact your school's financial aid office or the Department of Education at:**

[www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov](http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov)

## Next Steps

### 1. Make sure this is the best loan for you.

Some schools have school-specific student loan benefits and terms not detailed on this form. Contact your school's financial aid office or visit the Department of Education's Web site at [www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov](http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov) for more information about other loans.

### 2. To apply for this education loan, complete the application and the Self-Certification Form.

You may get the certification form from your school's financial aid office or from [www.mefa.org](http://www.mefa.org). If you are approved for this loan, the loan terms will be available for 30 days (terms will not change during this period, except as permitted by law).

## REFERENCE NOTES

### Fixed Interest Rates

- This education loan reflects accrual of interest at a rate of 7.19% from the estimated initial Disbursement Date through the In-School Period and at a rate of 8.19% from the Amortization Commencement Date through the Maturity Date.

### Terms:

- First Installment Date means the date the first interest-only monthly installment is due. The First Installment Date will be on the 28th day of the month following the Final Disbursement Date (but no less than 14 days and no more than 45 days, after the Final Disbursement Date).
- Amortization Commencement Date means the date the first monthly installment of principal and interest is due. The Amortization Commencement Date will be the 28th day of the month in which the In-School Period ends, or, if the In-School Period ends on or after the 28th day of a month, the 28th day of the immediately following month.
- In-School Period means the period beginning on the initial Disbursement Date of any advance made under this Loan Agreement and ending on the following date: (i) for disbursements relating to the Student Borrower's first year of enrollment at the Institution, the calendar date that is the 3-year anniversary of the Final Disbursement Date; or (ii) for disbursements relating to the Student Borrower's second year of enrollment at the Institution, the calendar date that is the 2-year anniversary of the Final Disbursement Date; or (iii) for disbursements relating to the Student Borrower's third year of enrollment at the Institution, the calendar date that is the 1-year anniversary of the Final Disbursement Date.

### Eligibility Criteria

Up to three borrowers are encouraged to apply: parent borrower, student borrower, and co-borrower. All borrowers have the same rights and responsibilities on the loan, and any borrower may make payments.

- The student borrower must be enrolled at least half time in an accredited degree-granting program at an eligible non-profit college or university.
- One of the following must be met:
  - The student lives in Massachusetts OR
  - The student is attending a Massachusetts college or university OR
  - The primary borrower and/or co-borrower live in Massachusetts
- The student borrower must maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined by their college or university.
- All applicants must be either a U.S. citizen or a U.S. permanent resident.
- Applicants must meet MEFA's current credit approval standards.
- Must be 18 years or older at the time of application

### Bankruptcy Limitations

- If you file for bankruptcy you may still be required to pay back this loan.

**More information about repayment, loan eligibility and the education loan is available in your loan application and loan agreement.**