



WILLIAM D. FORD 2026-2027 FEDERAL DIRECT PLUS LOAN APPLICATION
For Graduate Students that meet the Limited Exception Rule*

*The Graduate PLUS loan program will be eliminated unless students qualify for a limited exception which allows some students to continue borrowing from the Graduate PLUS program, for a maximum of three years or until program completion, whichever is less.

To qualify, students must remain continuously enrolled in the same program of study at the same institution as they were enrolled as of June 30, 2026, AND had a Direct Loan disbursed (Direct Unsubsidized or Graduate PLUS) for that same program before July 1, 2026.

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$ _____	LOAN PERIOD REQUESTED: (Check both boxes if you want Summer, Fall and Spring)	Summer 2026	Fall 26/ Spring 27
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BORROWER, PLEASE READ AND INITIAL NEXT TO EACH OF THE STATEMENTS BELOW

We recommend students borrow a Federal Direct Loan before applying for a PLUS loan as they have lower interest rates and origination fees than PLUS loans. See information on the [federal loan programs here](#).

Students must have a valid 2026/27 FAFSA on file, be matriculated, registered for at least half-time, and be eligible for Title IV Federal Aid.

Graduate/professional students must complete [ENTRANCE COUNSELING](#) and sign a [MASTER PROMISSORY NOTE \(MPN\)](#) before receiving funding.

A credit check will be performed to determine whether the applicant has an adverse credit history. Click the hyperlink for more information on [PLUS loans and adverse credit](#).

Loan will be processed for the academic year unless student is graduating after the Fall 2026 semester.

STUDENT INFORMATION

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ EMPLID: _____

Will you graduate at the end of the Fall 2026 semester? Yes No

BORROWER CERTIFICATION

Your signature below certifies that you understand that this is a loan, which must be repaid. You further understand that processing of the application requires a review of your credit history and that the loan may be denied based on your credit rating.

BORROWER SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____