

## **Student Financial Services**

# LOAN REQUEST FORM

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Student Name (Please Print):	Student ID:			
Contact Phone Number:		_Email:		
Term (CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY): FALL	/ SPRING / SUMMER	FALL ONLY	SPRING ONLY	SUMMER ONLY
Hours Enrolled:12 or more hours (full tim	e) 9-11 hours (3	3/4 time)	6-8 hours (part ti	me)
(Must be registered for at least 6 hours part	t-time status to qualify fo	r a Ioan)		
Request to be awarded a Federal Direct Subsidial If you're just requesting a loan award, once you counseling and a master promissory note at studisbursement. Please keep in mind we check NS purposes. Loans are awarded based upon term I	complete the below section, dentloans.gov in order to red LDS before awarding loans,	sign and submit for ceive a loan. First to and we verify atter	me borrowers will hav	e a 30-day wait for
Subsidized in the amount of	S			
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For additional unsubsidized loans				
Due to Parent PLUS denial if dependent student, the must apply for the Parent Plus Loan at				

Office of Student Financial Services 999 Avenue H, NE Winter Haven, FL 33881-4299

Phone: 863.297.1004

Fax: 863.298.6850 Email: financialaid@polk.edu

#### **Federal Student Loans**

Student Financial Services offers and certifies loans for students, as well as Direct PLUS loans for parents of undergraduate students. All of these loan programs offer low interest rates, deferment and forbearance options, and a maximum repayment period that is generally between 10 and 25 years.

- Direct subsidized loans- loans that are interest free while you are enrolled in college <u>at least half-time</u>.
- **Direct unsubsidized loans-** loans that accrue interest while you are enrolled. You may choose to pay the interest each month while you are in school. You can also allow the interest to accumulate.
- PLUS Loans- federal loans that <u>parents of dependent undergraduate students</u> can use to help pay educational expenses; this is a credit-based loan.

### Eligibility

- 1. You must have completed an error-free FAFSA. The FAFSA's verification must be complete.
- 2. To apply for a Stafford Loan, you must be enrolled in at least six credit hours of an approved program.
- 3. <u>You must meet and maintain **Satisfactory Academic Progress**</u>. (Please visit this link for details) <a href="http://www.polk.edu/admission-aid/financial-aid/satisfactory-academic-progress/">http://www.polk.edu/admission-aid/financial-aid/satisfactory-academic-progress/</a>
- 4. You must correctly complete and submit your loan request form to our office by the deadline.
- 5. You must have valid loan-entrance counseling and a master promissory note on file through <a href="https://www.studentloans.gov">www.studentloans.gov</a>

#### **Documents Needed**

- FAFSA- Free application for Federal Student Aid
- Proof of Valid Master Promissory Note Completed on file at studentloans.gov
- Proof of Valid Loan-Entrance Counseling Completed on file at studentloans.gov
- Request for Loan Award Form

#### The Loan Process

- The awarding and disbursing of a loan is a process that requires time for submission to the Department
  of Education COD for approval; therefore, we strongly suggest you apply early. When your file is
  complete, it is reviewed to determine your eligibility and calculate your award. Your file is processed in
  the order it was received.
- First-time borrowers will not receive a disbursement until after the first 30 days of classes have been verified.

### Maximum loan Amounts (based upon your term and year cost of attendance [budget])

- First-year Undergraduate (freshmen): \$5,500 (\$3,500 subsidized and \$2,000 unsubsidized dependent; independent unsubsidized \$6,000). These are the max amounts and not suggested.
- Second-year Undergraduate (sophomore): \$6,500 (\$4,500 subsidized and \$2,000 unsubsidized dependent; independent unsubsidized \$6,000). These are the max amounts and not suggested.
- Remaining Undergraduate Years (juniors and seniors in bachelor programs): \$7,500 (\$5,500 subsidized and \$2,000 unsubsidized dependent; independent unsubsidized \$7,000). These are the max amounts and not suggested.

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