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DIRECT PLUS LOAN INFORMATION

Ventura College participates in the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program. The U.S. Department of Education is the lender for the William D. Ford Federal Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) Loan Program.

To borrow a PLUS loan for a student, the parent must be the student's biological or adoptive mother or father. A stepparent is also eligible to borrow a PLUS loan if his or her income and assets would be taken into account when calculating the dependent student's EFC. A legal guardian is not considered a parent for Federal Student Aid purposes. Your child must be a dependent student who is enrolled at least half-time at Ventura College. For financial aid purposes, a student is considered "dependent" if he or she is under 24, unmarried, and has no legal dependents at the time the Free Application for Federal Student Aid is submitted. If a student is considered dependent, then the income and the assets of the parent have to be reported on the FAFSA.

Parent PLUS loan borrowers cannot have an adverse credit history (credits check will be done). In addition, parents and their dependent child must be U.S. citizens or eligible noncitizens, must not be in default on any federal education loans or owe an overpayment on a federal education grant, and must meet other general eligibility requirements for the Federal Student Aid programs. You can find more information about these requirements in Funding Education Beyond High School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid available at www.studentaid.ed.gov.

The maximum annual award for PLUS Loan is the student's Cost of Attendance minus any resources the student has been awarded. The interest rate is calculated each year based on the 10-year Treasury Bill rate plus 4.6% and is capped at 10.5%.

In addition to interest, PLUS borrowers pay a loan origination fee that is a percentage of the principal amount of each Direct PLUS Loan that you receive. This fee helps reduce the cost of making these low-interest loans. We deduct the fee before you receive any loan money, so the loan amount you actually receive will be less than the amount you have to repay.

Please NOTE: Students must maintain half-time enrollment status throughout the loan period. This will be verified before each loan disbursement.

Dependent students whose parents have applied for but were not approved for a PLUS Loan may be eligible to receive additional Direct Unsubsidized Loan funds.

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FEDERAL DIRECT PLUS LOAN APPLICATION CHECKSHEET

Step 1: Application Process:

- 1. Students must complete the FAFSA online at <u>www.FAFSA.gov</u>.
- 2. Students must submit all required forms for their Ventura College financial aid file.
- 3. Parents apply for a PLUS loan online at <u>www.studentloans.gov</u>. Print the approval or denial response that will be emailed to you.
- 4. Parents complete the PLUS Loan Request & Authorization to Check Credit Form (page 3 of this packet).
- 5. Parents submit **IN-PERSON** the completed PLUS Loan Request & Authorization to Check Credit Form to the Ventura College Financial Aid Office. Include the approval or denial response sent to you via email.
 - > NO faxed or scanned documents will be accepted.
 - > Original valid government-issued identification is required to submit a PLUS loan application.
 - Parents unable to submit the original PLUS Loan Request & Authorization to Check Credit Form in-person must MAIL the completed form along with the <u>Notary Certification Form</u> and a copy of their valid government-issued identification.



Step 2: Review Process:

- 1. Your loan will be reviewed and certified by Ventura College Financial Aid Office.
- 2. You will receive an e-mail instructing you to complete your Master Promissory Note (MPN) electronically. You must have an FSA ID to access this site (<u>fsaid.ed.gov</u>).
- 3. You will receive a Loan Disclosure Statement with pertinent information regarding your loan, including disbursement dates, deducted fees, and net disbursement amounts.

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SET YOUR COURSE

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

4667 TELEGRAPH ROAD, VENTURA, CA 93003

www.venturacollege.edu/finaid

Loan Request Deadlines

See *Important Dates* page on the Financial Aid website for all deadlines.

Loan requests received after the deadline <u>will not be processed</u>.

PLUS LOAN REQUEST & AUTHORIZATION TO CHECK CREDIT FORM

□ Fall _____

Spring _____

Summer _____

Parents submit **IN-PERSON** only to the Financial Aid Office along with valid government-issued identification.

Parents unable to submit this form in-person must **MAIL** the completed form to the Financial Aid Office along with the **Notary Certification Form** and a copy of their valid government-issued identification (*no faxed or scanned documents will be accepted*).

STUDENT INFORMATION							
First Name	Last Name M.I.		Social Security Number	Date of Birth			
PARENT 1 INFORMATION			PARENT 2 INFORMATION				
First Name	Last Name M.		First Name Last Name	М.І.			
Social Security Num	ber	Date of Birth	Social Security Number	Date of Birth			
U.S. Citizenship Status: Citizen/National Permanent Resident/ Eligible Non-Citizen Alien Registration #			U.S. Citizenship Status: Citizen/National Permanent Resident/ Eligible Non-Citizen Alien Registration #				
Driver's License #		Issuing State	Driver's License #	Issuing State			
Permanent Home Address			Permanent Home Address				
City, State, Zip Code			City, State, Zip Code				
E-mail Address		Home Phone Number	E-mail Address	Home Phone Number			
Requested Loan Amount: \$			Requested Loan Amount: \$				
I request that PLUS Loan Funds be made payable <u>to me</u> and mailed to the address provided on this form.			I request that PLUS Loan Funds be made payable <u>to the student</u> and mailed to the address on file with the Financial Aid Office.				
	n my behalf. By signir	g this form, I certify that I ined to make a credit decis	meet the eligibility criteria to b	ra College to submit a PLUS credit porrow under the PLUS Loan Program			
Parent 1's Signatur	e (if applicable)			Date			
Parent 2's Signatur	e (If applicable)			Date			

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Loan Approved	Amount Approved \$	Loan Denied	Date			