



Loan Acceptance Form for 2018-2019

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID#: V00\_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

If you choose to accept this Federal Direct Loan offer, you must:

- 1. Be enrolled in a degree program and be actively enrolled in 6 or more eligible credits at the time of disbursement.
2. Complete Loan Entrance Counseling online at https://studentloans.gov. (Only required if this is your first loan at Massasoit).
3. Sign a Direct Loan Master Promissory note (MPN) at https://studentloans.gov. (Only required if you do not already have an active MPN).
4. Complete this form and return it to the Massasoit Financial Aid Office.

Please check the period of attendance (only one) for which the loan is needed. CHOOSE ONLY ONE. If this is left blank, your loan(s) will be split evenly between the Fall & Spring semesters, provided you are enrolled and eligible in the Fall.

[ ] Fall Semester Only

[ ] Fall & Spring Semesters

[ ] Spring Semester Only

ANNUAL LOAN LIMITS:

Table with 4 columns: Type of Student, Subsidized, Unsubsidized, Total Loan Amount. Rows include Dependent 1st year, Dependent 2nd year, Independent 1st year, Independent 2nd year.

Office Use Only section containing fields for Dependency Status, Grade Level, Final Semester Proration, Enrolled, Sub, Unsub, Split correctly on RPAAWRD?, Certified Date, and By.

I would like to: CHECK ONLY ONE BOX.

- Accept the loan(s) in the amount that was awarded to me.
Change the amount of the loan(s). I would like to borrow \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
Request that a new loan(s) be awarded. I would like to borrow \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
Decline Loan -- I do not wish to borrow at this time.

Please read:

- If you are graduating this academic year and only attending one semester, your loans may be subject to proration. This may change your loan eligibility.
- If you are not eligible for the loan amount you requested, you will be awarded the maximum amount for which you qualify.
- The total amount of your loan and the level of subsidized eligibility may be affected by your enrollment and any additional funding you may be receiving.
- If you request a loan amount that is exactly equal to the amount of your bill, we will automatically increase the amount of the loan(s) to account for loan origination fees so that the net amount of the loan(s) will be sufficient to cover your bill.

By signing this form, I understand I am responsible for repaying any loan funds I borrow. I understand that if I withdraw, drop below half-time status (6 credits), or stop attending classes, this loan may be decreased or cancelled and I will be responsible for paying the balance due on my bill to Massasoit Community College. I understand that the total loan amount requested will be split evenly throughout the loan period approved. Under no circumstances will more than 50% of my student loan eligibility be disbursed at one time unless it is past the second or subsequent disbursement date. I have read and understand the Direct Loan Information and Facts listed on page 2 of the Loan Acceptance Form for 2018-2019.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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### Direct Loan Information and Facts:

Your eligibility for loan funds will be determined based upon your enrollment at Massasoit Community College, the period of the loan, the educational costs for this period, and the anticipated financial resources you will receive during the period of the loan. Your loan may be subsidized or unsubsidized depending on your financial need, as determined by the FAFSA, as well as your prior subsidized loan usage. We strongly encourage you to borrow as little as possible, and to borrow only what you need to satisfy your bill and other educational expenses. Loans may only be used for educational expenses.

**Subsidized Direct Loan:** Students must have unmet financial need as determined by the FAFSA. The federal government pays the interest when you are in school at least half-time, during the grace period, and during periods of authorized deferment. The interest rate for undergraduate subsidized loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2018 and before July 1, 2019 is a fixed rate of 5.05%.

**Unsubsidized Direct Loan:** If your loan is unsubsidized, the interest will accrue on the loan while you are in school. Students may choose to pay the interest quarterly during the in-school period, or interest will be capitalized once repayment of the loan begins. The interest rate for undergraduate subsidized loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2018 and before July 1, 2019 is a fixed rate of 5.05%.

**Loan Fees:** The loan fee is a percentage of the loan amount and is proportionately deducted from each loan disbursement. The percentage varies depending on when it is first disbursed. Loans disbursed on or after October 1, 2018 and before October 1, 2019 will have a loan fee of 1.062%.

**Entrance Counseling:** An information session that takes place before the loan is disbursed and is required for all Direct Loan borrowers. The session explains your rights and responsibilities as a student loan borrower. Entrance counseling is completed online at <https://studentloans.gov>.

**Master Promissory Note:** A promissory note is a binding legal document you sign when you get a student loan. It contains the loan terms and conditions under which you are borrowing and the terms under which you agree to pay back the loan. It is important to read, understand, and save this document. The Master Promissory note is completed online at <https://studentloans.gov>.

**Repayment Begins:** 6 months after a student graduates, withdraws, or drops below half-time enrollment (<6 credits).

**Enrollment Status:** Students must be enrolled half-time. Half-time is defined as at least 6 credit hours (does not include credits for courses that are not required for a student's degree program or courses that violate the course repeat policy). Students who drop below half-time will have future disbursements cancelled and must complete exit loan counseling. For example, if the student is approved for a fall/spring loan and drops below half-time in the fall, the spring portion of the loan will be cancelled and the student will need to reapply for the loan if they want loan funds for spring. This process can delay the receipt of spring loan funds.

**Disbursement:** Loan funds are disbursed in two equal payments. For a fall/spring loan, the funds are disbursed in the fall and spring semesters after course participation has been confirmed. For a one semester loan, half of the funds are disbursed after course participation has been confirmed and the other half after the midpoint of the semester.

**Cancellation:** You have the right to request cancellation of any part of this loan for a period of up to 14 days after disbursement by submitting a written request to the Financial Aid Office.

**Maximum Eligibility Period:** New borrowers are now limited to borrowing subsidized student loans for three years for an associate's degree and one and a half years for most certificate programs.

**Exit Counseling:** An information session which must be completed when the student loan borrower ceases half-time enrollment or graduates. The session provides information on your loans and when repayment begins. Exit counseling is completed online at <https://studentloans.gov>.

**Loan Reporting:** All federal student loans obtained by a student or parent are reported to and tracked on the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS). NSLDS loan records are accessible to all authorized NSLDS users including schools, student loan guaranty agencies, lenders, federal agencies, and other authorized users. Alternative and private education loan information is not reported to NSLDS.

**Accessing NSLDS:** Student and parent loan borrowers may view their federal loan information at <https://nsls.ed.gov>. Borrowers access the system using their Federal Student Aid ID. Students can also access prior federal grant information at <https://nsls.ed.gov>.