Parent PLUS Loan Application

What is a Federal Direct PLUS Loan?
Federal Direct PLUS Loans are for parents of undergraduate students who submit a FAFSA. PLUS Loans enable parents (including a parent not on the FAFSA) or stepparents who are on the FAFSA to borrow directly from the federal government. Parents who are approved may borrow up to the total annual cost of attendance less any other aid received by the student.

Parent or student, who pays?
The parent who completes the PLUS application and Master Promissory Note is legally obligated to repay the debt.

What is the cost of a PLUS?
The current 2022-23 rate is fixed at 7.54%. There is an origination fee that will be deducted from the amount you borrow. The origination fee is currently 4.228%. Please take this origination fee into consideration if you are trying to borrow an exact amount to cover charges. Please note: the interest rate may change slightly after July 1, 2023.

Visit studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/plus/parent for the 2023-24 PLUS Loan interest rate after July 1.

When does repayment begin?
Repayment begins 60 days after the date of the final disbursement of the loan. You may apply for an in-school deferment or forbearance. Please contact your loan servicer for more information.

Have I exhausted other sources of financial aid?
Before applying for a Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS), parents should thoroughly research all forms of financial aid, especially grant and scholarship aid that does not have to be repaid. Our website: www.csuchico.edu/fa and the Department of Education website: studentaid.ed.gov provide information about all types of aid.

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Before You Apply:

- We require families to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available at studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa
- The entire Direct PLUS Loan Application process must be completed in a single session. It takes approximately 20 minutes to complete the application.
- You will need a verified Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID for the applying parent. If you do not have a verified FSA ID, you may create one here: studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch

To apply for the Parent PLUS Loan

Click the button below:

APPLY

Or

Copy and paste this link in your browser:
https://studentloans.gov/plus-app/parent/landing

PLUS Loan processing can take up to 10 weeks. Parents will be notified via email or mail from Direct Loans within 48 hours as to the status of the credit check.

Parents, for information on direct deposit please click here or find the form at www.csuchico.edu/sfin, click “Forms and Resources” then click “Forms” and select “Parent Plus”.

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