

## Loan Interest Rate & Fees

Your interest rate will be between

**4.49% and 8.75%**

After the rate is set, it will be fixed for the life of your loan.

### Your Interest Rate (upon approval)

The interest rate you pay will be determined when you apply and will be based on the creditworthiness of the cosigner and the repayment term and option you select. If you choose to:

- make payments of principal and interest while in school, your rate will be between 4.49% and 6.75%.
- make interest-only payments while you are in school with eligibility to apply for Cosigner Release after 48 months\* of Active Repayment, your rate will be between 6.69% and 7.89%.
- make interest-only payments while you are in school with eligibility to apply for Cosigner Release after 24 months\* of Active Repayment your rate will be between 6.99% and 8.19%.
- defer all payments while you are in school your rate will be between 7.69% and 8.75%; this choice is subject to VSAC approval and the availability of funds.

If approved, we will notify you of the rates you qualify for based on the cosigner's creditworthiness and the repayment options.

### Your Interest Rate during the life of the loan

**Your rate is fixed.** This means that your rate will remain the same for the life of your loan. For more information on this rate, see the reference notes.

**Your rate will never change during the life of your loan.**

### Loan Fees

Late Fee: 6% of the amount of the late payment. Returned Check Charge: \$10.00.

### Loan Cost Examples

The total amount you will pay for this loan will vary depending upon when you start to repay it. This example provides estimates based upon four (4) repayment options that may be available to you while enrolled in school.

Repayment Option (while enrolled in school)	Amount Provided (amount provided directly to you or your school)	Interest Rate (highest possible starting rate)	Loan Term (how long you have to pay off the loan)	Total Paid over the Loan Term (includes associated fees)
<b>1. PRINCIPAL and INTEREST PAYMENT</b> Pay both the principal and interest amounts while enrolled in school.	\$10,000	6.45%	<b>10 years</b> starting <u>after</u> the final disbursement.	<b>\$13,666.64</b>
		6.75%	<b>15 years</b> starting <u>after</u> the final disbursement	<b>\$16,015.16</b>
<b>2. INTEREST-ONLY PAYMENT – 48 months cosigner release eligibility</b> Make interest-only payments while enrolled in school.	\$10,000	7.59%	<b>10 years</b> starting <u>after</u> the enrollment period.	<b>\$17,080.30</b>
		7.89%	<b>15 years</b> starting <u>after</u> the enrollment period.	<b>\$19,976.47</b>
<b>3. INTEREST-ONLY PAYMENT - 24 months cosigner release eligibility</b> Make interest-only payments while enrolled in school. *	\$10,000	7.89%	<b>10 years</b> starting <u>after</u> the enrollment period.	<b>\$17,378.81</b>
		8.19%	<b>10 years</b> starting <u>after</u> the enrollment period.	<b>\$20,397.40</b>
<b>4. DEFERRED PAYMENT</b> Make no payment while enrolled in school. Interest will accrue and be added to your loan principal.	\$10,000	8.45%	<b>15 years</b> starting <u>after</u> the deferment period.	<b>\$19,441.07</b>
		8.75%	<b>15 years</b> starting <u>after</u> the deferment period.	<b>\$23,754.60</b>

**About this example:** All the repayment examples assume a single disbursement, the highest possible interest rate for the repayment option, that you remain in school for 4 years and that there is no grace period after you leave school. The **Deferred Payment option** assumes that repayment begins after you leave school. The **Interest-Only Payment options** assume that you will make interest payments while in school and that repayment of the principal and interest begins after you leave school. The **Principal and Interest Payment option** assumes that repayment begins at final disbursement.

\*This Repayment Option includes an Interest Only Period Extension available for certain graduates: Upon graduation, if the borrower enters a Medical Residency Program or Law Clerkship/Bar exam study program immediately after graduating and applies for an Interest Only Period Extension, the Interest Only period may be extended for three (3) years for a Medical Residency Program or one (1) year for Clerkship/Bar Exam study.

## Federal Loan Alternatives

Loan Program	Current Interest Rates by Program Type
<b>Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized</b> For Undergraduate Students	6.39% fixed; Undergraduate
<b>Direct Unsubsidized</b> For Graduate and Professional Students	7.94% fixed; Graduate unsubsidized
<b>Direct PLUS</b> For Parents and Graduate/Professional Students	8.94% fixed

You may qualify for Federal education loans.

For additional information, contact your school's financial aid office or the Department of Education at: <https://studentaid.gov/>

## Next Steps

### 1. Find Out About Other Loan Options.

Some schools have school-specific student loan benefits and terms not detailed on this form. Contact your school's financial aid office or visit the Department of Education's website at: <https://studentaid.gov/> for more information about other loans.

### 2. To Apply for this Loan, Complete the Application and Self-Certification form.

You may get the certification form from your school's financial aid office. If you are approved for this loan, the loan terms will be available for 30 days (terms will not change during this period, except as permitted by law).

## Reference Notes

### Interest Rate

This loan has a fixed interest rate. Your rate is determined by the creditworthiness of the cosigner and the loan term and the repayment option you choose when you apply for the loan.

### Eligibility Criteria

#### **Borrower Must:**

- Be enrolled or re-enrolling at an eligible post-secondary institution on an at least half-time basis.
- Be a U. S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen.

#### **Cosigner Must:**

- Be a U. S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen.
- Meet VSAC credit requirements.

### Cosigner Release

Cosigner release may be available, after 48 months of Active Repayment for Repayment Options 1, 2 and 4, or 24 months of Active Repayment for Repayment Option 3 if Borrower then meets VSAC's credit criteria.

### Bankruptcy Limitations

If you file for bankruptcy you may still be required to pay back this loan.

More information about loan eligibility and repayment and forbearance options is available in your Application/Credit Agreement.

## **Notice for students attending Virginia schools:**

Private education loans are one tool that students use to finance their education. Your lender and your institution's Financial Aid Office provide assistance with eligibility for the loans. For borrowers who have existing private education loans, Virginia has a Student Loan Advocate to assist borrowers who are struggling with repayment. You can contact the Student Loan Advocate at: State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, James Monroe Building, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, 101 N. 14th Street, Richmond, VA 23219; [studentloan@schev.edu](mailto:studentloan@schev.edu); 804-786-2832. In addition, resources for prospective and current private education loan borrowers are available online at [schev.edu/privateloan](http://schev.edu/privateloan).