

William Ford Federal Direct Loan Processing Form 2017-2018

This form is to request or accept a William D. Ford Federal Direct Stafford Loan. **THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE MUST RECEIVE THIS COMPLETED FORM** prior to certification of your loan.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____

First Time Direct Stafford Loan borrowers, here at NCCC are required to complete an Electronic Master Promissory Note (E-MPN) and Entrance Counseling.

Step 1. Complete the E-MPN for student loans by going online to studentloans.gov. Follow the steps listed on the back of this form. **Please be sure to click submit when steps are completed.**

Once you have completed this step, initial this box and go on to step 2.

Step 2. Complete an Entrance Counseling by going online to studentloans.gov. Follow the steps listed on the back of this form.

Once you have completed this step, initial this box and go on to step 3.

***TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESSING OF YOUR LOAN PLEASE PRINT CONFIRMATION PAGE FOR BOTH STEPS AND RETURN WITH LOAN APPLICATION**

Step 3. Select the loan period you wish to apply for (please check only one):

- Summer 2017: May 2017 through August 2017
- Academic Year: August 2017 through May 2018 (use this option if enrolled for both Fall and Spring)
- Fall 2017 ONLY: August 2017 through December 2017 (use this option if enrolled for Fall only)
- Spring 2018 ONLY: January 2018 through May 2018 (use this option if enrolled in Spring only)

Note: If you are planning to attend Summer 2017, you must also complete a Summer Aid Application available from the Financial Aid Office.

Step 4. Tell us how much you would like to borrow for the 2017-2018 year. Remember that the amount you request will be split evenly over each of the terms you are attending (above). If you do not attend as planned above, the loan will be cancelled. So, if your plans change, be sure to notify the Financial Aid Office.

Amount Requested: \$ _____ **Dependent:** Freshman Maximum: \$5,500 Sophomore Maximum: \$6,500
Independent: Freshman Maximum: \$9,500 Sophomore Maximum: \$10,500

If we are unable to process your loan for the full amount requested, we will process up to the maximum allowed by regulation and your cost of attendance for the academic year. You will receive confirmation of the approved amount.

Approval may include subsidized and/or unsubsidized amounts. For an explanation of the difference of these two types of loans refer to the Federal Student Aid website at <http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/studentloans.jsp>

Initial this box if you do **not** want your loan approval to include unsubsidized amounts (this may reduce your total loan eligibility).

Step 5. Sign this form and return it to the Financial Aid Office:

By my signature below, I certify that:

I have fully completed steps 1 and 2 (above) prior to submission of this form.

I understand that I am applying for a loan with an obligation to be repaid.

I will keep the Federal loan processor up-to-date on my current address, phone and other contact information.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Step by step instructions to completing the MPN (Step 1 of this form)

- Step 1. Go to www.studentloans.gov – Sign in.
- Step 2. Input your personal information.
- Step 3. Select “Complete Master Promissory Note”.
- Step 4. Choose subsidized/unsubsidized option.
- Step 5. Follow the simple instructions to complete your student loan MPN.

Step by step instructions to completing the Entrance Interview (Step 2 of this form)

- Step 1. Go to www.studentloans.gov – Sign in.
- Step 2. Input your personal information.
- Step 3. Select “Complete Counseling”.
- Step 4. Choose “Entrance Counseling”.
- Step 5. Choose Niagara County Community College and undergraduate student.
- Step 6. Follow the simple instructions to complete your entrance counseling.

Additional Loan Information and terms:

Subsidized Stafford Loan: This loan is based on unmet need. The family financial information reported on the FAFSA determines eligibility for the subsidized loan. The federal government pays the Interest on these loans while the student is enrolled at least half-time (six credit hours) and during periods of deferment. Repayment begins six months after the student ceases to be enrolled at least half-time.

Unsubsidized Stafford Loan: This loan is based on need. *The student is charged interest from the time the loan is disbursed. The student may elect to pay the interest while in school or the student may choose to capitalize the interest.* (Interest payments are added to the principal amount of the loan). Capitalizing interest will increase the amount the student is required to repay. Repayment begins six months after the student ceases to be enrolled at least half-time.

Annual Amount: A freshman student (less than 30 earned credit hours) may be eligible to borrow up to \$5,500. A sophomore student (30 or more earned credit hours) may be eligible to borrow up to \$6,500. All students are considered freshman or sophomores.

A note on loan disbursement: Federal regulations require multiple disbursements of Federal Stafford Loans. If you apply for a loan which covers both fall and spring semesters, proceeds will be sent for one-half of the amount in the fall semester and one-half in the spring semester. Fall only and spring only loans will also be disbursed in two payments (approximately six to eight weeks into the semester.)