

PARENT PLUS LOAN QUICK FACT SHEET

- The parent is the borrower on a Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan; therefore, **the Parent PLUS Loan is a loan in the parent's name.**
- A loan fee of 4.228% will be deducted from each loan disbursement.
- Loan repayment begins within 60 days after the final disbursement of the loan. Borrowers have the option of deferring repayment until the student ceases to be enrolled at least half-time.
- More Information regarding Federal Direct PLUS Loans, such as interest rates, loan fees and repayment options can be found at www.studentloans.gov.

Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan Eligibility Requirements

- Applicant must be the biological parent, adoptive parent or step-parent of the student for whom they are borrowing.
- The Student on whose behalf the PLUS Loan is borrowed must be an undergraduate, degree seeking, dependent student who is enrolled at least half-time (6 or more credits) for the period for which the loan is intended. The student must meet all general aid eligibility criteria including Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy criteria. See the Policies/Rules and Regulations section of the FAU Student Financial Aid website for details <http://www.fau.edu/finaid/policies/index.php>.
- A credit check will be completed on the applicant and the applicant cannot have recent adverse credit history. **As the credit check is valid for a period of 90 days, FAU recommends that parents apply for a Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan no earlier than 60 days prior to the start of the enrollment period for which the loan is intended and the student is eligible.**
- Applicant and student must be U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens, must not be in default on any Federal Education Loans or owe an overpayment on a Federal Education Grant.
- The U.S Department of Education must have a valid Direct Parent PLUS Master Promissory Note on file for the parent requesting the loan. Parents may satisfy this requirement online through the Direct Loan website www.studentloans.gov.

Additional Requirements

- FAU must receive an electronic transmission of a valid (not rejected) Student Aid Report from the U.S. Department of Education for the student on whose behalf the Federal Direct PLUS Loan is borrowed. This report is generated after the student has completed a FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA must be completed for the aid year in which the loan period falls). The FAFSA can be completed at www.fafsa.gov.
- FAU must receive and process all documents required for the student to be eligible for federal student aid (including all required verification documents). Instructions on how to view the status of all required documents can be found on the Student Requirements section of the Financial Aid webpage at <http://www.fau.edu/finaid/requirements.php>.