



PREFERRED LENDER LIST

The school has selected the financial institution* below as preferred lender due to the convenience of its origination fees, highly competitive rates, and high-quality servicing for educational loans. Please note that using a different lender for loans is allowed and would not cause unnecessary delay in loan certification under Title IV of the Higher Education Act.

Please note that the school has no affiliation or revenue-sharing arrangement with any lender, and preferred lenders are not affiliated with each other.

Student Loan Code of Conduct

In accordance with the stipulations laid out in the 2008 Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA), American College of Healthcare & Technology has implemented a Student Loan Code of Conduct. This code has been put in place to guarantee the integrity and adherence to regulations in the administration of various student loan programs. The scope of the Student Loan Code of Conduct encompasses not only employees within the financial aid office but also extends to all other personnel affiliated with American College of Healthcare & Technology. This includes school agents, and specifically pertains to individuals who bear duties related to educational loans or any other categories of student financial aid.

1. American College of Healthcare & Technology and its staff members will refrain from engaging in any form of revenue-sharing agreement with lenders, guarantors, or servicers.
2. Personnel are prohibited from requesting or receiving any presents, which include gratuities, favors, discounts, entertainment, hosting, loans, services, transportation, accommodations, meals, reimbursements, or any other item with a value exceeding a nominal amount, from lenders, guarantors, or servicers.
3. Staff members are required to decline any compensation, fee, or financial advantage (which also encompasses the possibility to buy stocks) from lenders. This applies to any form of consulting agreement or contractual arrangement aimed at delivering services to a lender or in representation of a lender.
4. The institution will refrain from seeking or receiving funds from lenders for private education loans. This includes funds for an opportunity pool loan to students, in exchange for the institution making commitments regarding loan numbers, volumes, or preferred lender agreements. Any funds intended for private education loans must not be accepted in return for the institution granting concessions to the private lender. No school officer, trustee, or employee should solicit or accept offers of funds for private educational loans from lenders, guarantors, or servicers.
5. American College of Healthcare & Technology is prohibited from seeking or receiving any staffing support from lenders, guarantors, or servicers.
6. Any staff member who holds duties related to financial assistance within the institution and also holds a position on a lender or guarantor's advisory board or commission is restricted from receiving anything of value from the said lender or guarantor. This prohibition extends to any benefits apart from reimbursement for the reasonable expenses incurred during their service on the board or commission.
7. Staff members are prohibited from designating a specific lender for a first-time borrower's loan or using methods such as award packaging to do so. Additionally, they are not allowed to decline postponing the processing of a loan based on the borrower's choice of lender or guarantor.

Below is Preferred Lender Sallie Mae's information relative to their Smart Option Student Loan:

Smart Option Student Loan

Variable Rate Type (see pages 3 & 4 for Fixed Rate Type)

Sallie Mae BankP.O. Box 3319
Wilmington, DE 19804
(877) 279-7172**Loan Interest Rate & Fees**Your **starting interest rate** will be between

6.625%

and

17.750%

After the starting rate is set, your rate will then vary with the market

Your Starting Interest Rate (upon approval)

The starting interest rate you pay will be determined after you apply. It will be based upon the borrower's credit history and other factors (cosigner credit, repayment option, etc). If approved, we will notify you of the rate you qualify for within the stated range.

Your Interest Rate during the life of the loan**Your rate is variable.** This means that your rate could move lower or higher than the rates on this form. The variable rate is based upon the 30-day average Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) (as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York). For more information on this rate, see the reference notes.Although the rate will vary after you are approved, it will **never exceed 25.000%** (the maximum allowable for this loan).**Loan Fees****Application Fee:** \$0.00. **Origination Fee:** The fees that we charge to make this loan range from 0.000% to 0.000% of total loan amount. **Loan Guarantee Fee:** 0.000% to 0.000% of total loan amount. **Repayment Fee:** The fees we charge when you begin repayment range from 0.000% to 0.000% of the total loan amount. **Late Fee:** 5.000% of the amount of the past due payment, up to a maximum of \$25. **Returned Check Fee:** up to \$20.00.**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 three (3) different repayment options available to you while enrolled in school.

Repayment Option (while enrolled in school and during the separation period of 6 billing periods thereafter)	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 life of loan (includes associated fees)
1. INTEREST REPAYMENT Make interest payments but defer payments on the principal amount while enrolled in school and during the separation period.	\$10,000	17.750%	10 years starting <u>after</u> the separation period	\$28,678.64
2. FIXED REPAYMENT Make payments of \$25 while enrolled in school and during the separation period. Interest will be charged and added to your loan.	\$10,000	17.750%	10 years starting <u>after</u> the separation period	\$35,425.53
3. DEFERRED REPAYMENT Make no payments while enrolled in school and during the separation period. Interest will be charged and added to your loan.	\$10,000	17.750%	10 years starting <u>after</u> the separation period	\$36,864.59

About this exampleThe repayment example assumes you have no prior loans serviced by Sallie Mae, remain in school for 4 years and have a 6-month separation period before beginning repayment. It is based on the **highest starting rate currently charged** and associated fees. If the cumulative amount of the borrower's loans that are serviced by Sallie Mae is **less than \$14,500**, repayment will last 10 years, starting once the initial principal payment is made. If it is **\$14,500 to \$28,999**, repayment will last 12 years, starting once the initial principal payment is made. If it is **\$29,000 or more**, repayment will last 15 years, starting once the initial principal payment is made. Length of the repayment is subject to a minimum monthly payment amount of \$50.

Federal Loan Alternatives

Loan Program	Current Interest Rates by Program Type*
STAFFORD for Students	5.500% fixed Undergraduate subsidized and unsubsidized
	7.050% fixed Graduate
PLUS for Parents and Graduate/Professional Students	8.050% fixed Federal Direct Loan

You may qualify for Federal education loans.

For additional information, **contact your school's financial aid office or the Department of Education at:**

www.studentaid.gov

*To provide relief to student loan borrowers during the COVID-19 national emergency, interest on federal student loans is being temporarily set at 0%. For more information on current rates and the duration of current rates, please see <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/interest-rates>.

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 web site at: www.studentaid.gov for more information about other loans.

2. To Apply for this Loan, Complete the Application and the 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 and the variable interest rate may change based on the market).

REFERENCE NOTES

Variable Interest Rate

- This loan has a variable interest rate, that is based on a publicly available index, the 30-day average Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) rounded up to the nearest one-eighth of one percent. Your rate will be calculated each month by adding a margin between 1.250% and 12.375% to the SOFR rounded up to the nearest one-eighth of one percent.
- The rate will not increase more than once a month, but there is no limit on the amount that the rate could increase at one time.
- Please see your promissory note for more information about the circumstances in which a replacement or substitute index may be used in place of SOFR.

Eligibility Criteria Borrower

- For full-time, half-time, or less-than-half-time enrollment at an eligible school.
- Must have attained the age of majority in your state of residence at the time you apply. Otherwise a cosigner is needed.

Cosigner

- A cosigner is not required for U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens, but may help you qualify and/or receive a lower interest rate.
- Must have attained the age of majority in the cosigner's state of residence at the time of loan application.

Bankruptcy Limitations

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

More information about loan eligibility and repayment deferral or forbearance options is available in your loan application and promissory note.

Smart Option Student Loan

Fixed Rate Type (see pages 1 & 2 for Variable Rate Type)

Sallie Mae BankP.O. Box 3319
Wilmington, DE 19804
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4.750%

and

16.530%

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Your Interest Rate (upon approval)

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Your Interest Rate during the life of the loan**Your rate is fixed.** This means that your rate will not increase or decrease for the life of the loan. For more information on this rate, see the reference notes.**Loan Fees****Application Fee:** \$0.00. **Origination Fee:** The fees that we charge to make this loan range from 0.000% to 0.000% of total loan amount. **Loan Guarantee Fee:** 0.000% to 0.000% of total loan amount. **Repayment Fee:** The fees we charge when you begin repayment range from 0.000% to 0.000% of the total loan amount. **Late Fee:** 5.000% of the amount of the past due payment, up to a maximum of \$25. **Returned Check Fee:** up to \$20.00.**Loan Cost Examples**

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1. INTEREST REPAYMENT Make interest payments but defer payments on the principal amount while enrolled in school and during the separation period.	\$10,000	16.530%	10 years starting <u>after</u> the separation period	\$27,261.13
2. FIXED REPAYMENT Make payments of \$25 while enrolled in school and during the separation period. Interest will be charged and added to your loan.	\$10,000	16.530%	10 years starting <u>after</u> the separation period	\$32,948.81
3. DEFERRED REPAYMENT Make no payments while enrolled in school and during the separation period. Interest will be charged and added to your loan.	\$10,000	16.530%	10 years starting <u>after</u> the separation period	\$34,273.53

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REFERENCE NOTES

Fixed Interest Rate

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- Must have attained the age of majority in cosigner's state of residence at the time of loan application.

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