Loans for Disadvantaged Students (LDS) 2018-2019 Application

The purpose of the LDS program is to provide low-interest rate loans to eligible individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds that are enrolled full-time in good standing at an eligible health professions school.

Eligibility:

An individual from a disadvantaged background is defined by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as someone who:

- Comes from an environment that has inhibited the individual from obtaining the knowledge, skill and abilities required to enroll in and graduate from a health professions school; or
- Comes from a family with an annual income below a level based on low-income guidelines according to family size published by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, adjusted annually for changes in the Consumer Price Index, and adjusted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services for use in health professions and nursing programs.

Eligible students must also be:

• A citizen, national or a lawful permanent resident of the United States or the District of Columbia, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico or the Marianas Islands, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the American Samoa, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Republic of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated State of Micronesia.

Application: To apply for the LDS loan the student needs to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. For consideration, the parental data must be included on the FAFSA regardless of dependency status. Students must also submit copies of both their and their parents Federal Tax returns. Application submission priority date: **September 3, 2018**

Amount: Awards <u>up to</u> \$10,000 per academic year, <u>based on the availability of funds</u>.

Interest rate: 5% fixed interest. Interest does not accrue during periods of grace or deferment.

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submitted by September 3, 2018 to receive consideration for the Loans for Disadvantaged Student program. The LDS Application The 2018-2019 FAFSA with parental data The 2018-2019 Validation documents as listed on the LDS application The LDS Application & Solicitation Disclosure (Do Not Return – Information Only) This section is to be completed with Student Financial Services (If LDS awarded) The LDS Promissory Note The Entrance Counseling Questionnaire The LDS Private Education Loan Applicant Self-Certification The LDS Approval Disclosure and The LDS Final Disclosure Please return the above documents to:

The following documents are required to apply for and receive the LDS loan. They must be

Saint Louis University Student Financial Services 1402 S. Grand Blvd. Caroline 120 St. Louis, MO 63104

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Application submission priority date: September 3, 2018 SLU ID: **APPLICANT INFORMATION--PLEASE PRINT** Last Name: First Name: M.: Street Address: Apartment#: ZIP: City: State: Phone: E-mail Address: **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA** Are you a U. S. Citizen, National, or lawful permanent resident of the United States, the commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands, Guam, YES \square NO \square American Samoa or the Trust Territory of the Pacific. Do you come from an environment that has inhibited you from obtaining the knowledge, skill and abilities required to enroll in and graduate from a health professions school? YES NO Does your parent's annual income fall below a level based on poverty guidelines according to family size published by the U. S. Census Bureau? To answer this question, please refer to YES 🗌 NO the chart on the back page. Does your annual income fall below a level based on poverty guidelines according to family size published by the U. S. Census Bureau? To answer this guestion, please refer to the chart YES NO on the back page. Do you intend to serve in a medically underserved community upon completion of medical YES NO school? Do you intend to practice in primary care upon completion of medical school? YES NO Do you come from a rural background? If yes, what town: YES NO Do you intend to serve in a rural area upon completion of medical school? YES NO 8. Do you come from an underrepresented minority group? (Asian, Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska native, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, Hispanic or YES NO Latino) If yes, please indicate which minority group best describes you: 10. Are you a first generation college student? (Answer yes if neither of your parents went to YES NO college) HAVE YOU SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING? The 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the parental information? YES NO \square The 2018-2019 Validation form available upon request YES NO | Your FAFSA updated using the Data Retrieval Tool for you or a copy of the 2016 federal tax return YES NO 🗌 transcripts for you and your spouse. (if you or your spouse filed). Your Parental information updated on your FAFSA Data Retrieval Tool or a copy of the 2016 YES NO \square federal tax return transcripts for your parent(s). (if your parent(s) filed). In the box below write a brief statement about why your background qualifies you for the LDS. Attach a second page if needed.

My signature below certifies that the information reported is complete and correct.

Student Signature: Date:

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| The 2018 Poverty Guidelines | | | | | |
|--|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Persons in Family | 48 Contiguous States and the District of Columbia | Alaska | Hawaii | | |
| 1 | \$12,140 | \$15,180 | \$13,960 | | |
| 2 | 16,460 | 20,580 | 18,930 | | |
| 3 | 20,780 | 25,980 | 23,900 | | |
| 4 | 25,100 | 31,380 | 28,870 | | |
| 5 | 29,420 | 36,780 | 33,840 | | |
| 6 | 33,740 | 42,180 | 38,810 | | |
| 7 | 38,060 | 47,580 | 43,780 | | |
| 8 | 42,380 | 52,980 | 48,750 | | |
| For families with more than 8 persons add: | \$4,320 for each additional person | \$5,400 for each additional person | \$4,970 for each additional person | | |

Taken from the Department of Health and Human Services website 08/01/2018 http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/index.cfm

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Loan Interest Rate & Fees

Your starting interest rate will be between

Fixed

Your Starting Interest Rate (upon acceptance)
The starting interest rate you pay will be determined after you apply. 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 interest rate is fixed at 5%. The grace period is 12 months, during which no interest accrues.

Loan Fees

Zero processing fees; late charge equal to 6% of scheduled payments more than 60 days past due. Associated collection fees for referral to collection agency.

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 3 repayment options available to you during and after residency.

| Repayment Option | 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 [term of loan] (includes associated fees) |
|---|---|--|---|--|
| 1. Grace Period | \$10,000 | 5% | 10 years 12 months after graduation | No payment due |
| 2. Pre-payment prior to end of residency | \$10,000 | 5% | 10 years 12 months after graduation | \$10,000.00 |
| 3 Standard repayment After 12 month grace, up to 3 yrs of residency, 2 yrs fellowship deferment | \$10,000 | 5% | 10 years 12 months after graduation | \$12,727.71 |

About this example

- 1 Loan is repaid on time over 10 years
- 2 Original amount borrowed is repaid prior to end of residency.
- 3 Original amount borrowed is repaid after grace period and residency/fellowship, provided borrower submits deferment forms as appropriate.

Federal Loan Alternatives

| Loan Program | Current Interest Rates by Program Type | | | | |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Perkins for students | 5% | | | | |
| Stafford | 5.05% | Undergraduate subsidized | | | |
| for students | 6.60% | Undergraduate unsubsidized & Graduate | | | |
| Plus for Parents and Graduate/Professional Students | 7.60% | 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

sfp@slu.edu or 314-977-9840 www.federalstudentaid.ed.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 web site at: www.federalstudentaid.ed.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.

3. I acknowledge I have read, understand, and received a copy of this material.

REFERENCE NOTES

Interest Rate

• Interest shall accrue from the beginning of the repayment period at 5% until loan is paid in full.

• Deferment eligibility requires full-time status as specified by promissory note.

Bankruptcy Limitations

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

Repayment Options:

· Borrower may defer payments during medical residency, provided the appropriate deferment forms are submitted annually. Minimum repayment \$40 monthly, not less than ten (10) years, nor more than twenty-five (25) years.

Prepayments:

· No pre-payment penalty

More information about loan eligibility, repayment options, deferment, or forbearance options is available in your LDS promissory note.

Web: http://medschool.slu.edu/sfs/