# 2017/2018 Federal Graduate PLUS LOAN REQUEST FORM



Name:

Mailbox #:

# INSTRUCTIONS

Review the Graduate PLUS Loan information on the reverse. If you decide to request a Graduate PLUS Loan, complete all of the items below. Submit your completed form to the NUNM Office of Financial Aid. *Please note: Incomplete forms cannot be processed*.

## 1. I am requesting the following (check one amd provide a dollar amount):

□ I wish to accept the Graduate PLUS Loan offered on my attached award letter in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_

□ I originally declined the Graduate PLUS Loan offered, but now wish to add the loan in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

□ Increase my existing loan by a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Decrease my existing loan by a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Cancel my Graduate PLUS Loan in full

## 2. I want the loan adjustment for the following quarter(s)—check all that apply.

Loan total listed above will be evenly split over the quarters you check.

□ Summer □ Fall □ Winter □ Spring

## 3. Read and acknowledge each of the following statements:

□ I understand a completed Graduate PLUS entrance counseling session must be on file with the U.S. Department of Education prior to submitting this form. Counseling may be done online at: studentloans.gov.

□ I have read and understand the Rights and Responsibility section of the Graduate PLUS Loan MPN, and I give permission for a credit check to be performed to determine if I am eligible for a Graduate PLUS Loan.

□ I have read and understand an incomplete loan adjustment request form and/or missing requirements will result in my request being denied. All requirements must be complete prior to submitting a new request form.

□ I understand I must complete all requirements and submit my completed form to the Office of Financial Aid by the following due date(s) in order for my request to be processed. *Late requests will not be processed until the following due date listed.* 

## 7/7/2017 8/4/2017 9/15/2017 10/6/2017 11/3/2017 1/5/2018 2/2/2018 3/2/2018 4/6/2018 5/11/2018

## CERTIFICATION

I certify that I have requested this Graduate PLUS Loan adjustment; all of the information is true to my knowledge; and I give permission for a credit check. I understand it may take up to 7 business days, from the date(s) listed above, for any refund check(s) to be processed. I will use all student loan proceeds for authorized educational expenses only; and will immediately repay any funds that cannot be attributed to educational expenses while attending NUNM.

#### Signature:

Date:

PLEASE MANUALLY SIGN THIS FORM. FORMS WITH ELECTRONIC OR TYPED SIGNATURES WILL BE RETURNED.

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□ Completed	□ Denied	Notes	:						
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The Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan is a loan program that enables graduate students to borrow directly from the U.S. Department of Education to help pay for their educational expenses. Remember: This is a loan that must be paid back; please read this information in its entirety prior to submitting a Graduate PLUS Loan Adjustment Form to the NUNM Office of Financial Aid.

# **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
- · Completed FAFSA and maximized Federal Direct Loan eligibility
- Not in default on prior educational loans
- Meets federally defined creditworthiness standards (pass a credit check)
- · Enrolled at least half time in a degree program
- Meeting satisfactory academic progress

## **CREDIT CRITERIA**

A borrower cannot be:

- 90 days or more delinquent on the repayment of any debt; or
- The subject of a default determination, bankruptcy discharge, foreclosure, repossession, tax lien, wage garnishments, or write-off of a Title IV debt during the last five years.

## INTEREST

For academic year 2016/2017 the interest rate is 6.31% for loans disbursed July 1, 2016, thru June 30, 2017. NUNM anticipates that this will change for the 2017/2018 academic year, which will be determined in June 2017.

## FEES

The U.S. Department of Education keeps a percentage of the loan you borrow. Historically, the fee has been 4%. However, this could change and will be determined in June 2017. For additional information, visit studentloans.gov.

## REPAYMENT

You may request a deferment on the payments for this loan while enrolled at least half time in a degree program; otherwise repayment begins 60 days after the loan is disbursed.

# GRADUATE PLUS LOAN—APPROXIMATION OF REPAYMENT SCENARIOS FOR \$50,000 GRADUATE PLUS LOAN DEBT

	Number of Monthly Payments	Total Interest Cost	Total Loan Cost
\$604	120	\$22,480	\$72,480
\$422	120	\$26,941	\$76,941
\$383	300	\$64,781	\$114,781
\$329	300	\$73,459	\$123,459
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Income-Based Repayment Visit studentaid.ed.gov/ibr for information and repayment calculators.

# THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND WHEN BORROWING STUDENT LOANS

- Only borrow what you need. The less you borrow now means more future earnings you preserve and keep for yourself, as opposed to covering debt repayment.
- Use student loans for education costs only. Don't use student loans to support a lifestyle—imagine paying 50% more for everything in your life. Because student loans have fees and must be repaid with interest, you will pay back far more than you borrowed. We encourage you to create a budget and stick to it.
- Make interest payments while you're in school. You can make a one-time payment or schedule monthly payments to be applied toward any interest that is accruing while you're in school. You may not be required to pay the interest while you're in school, but doing so will save you money and time during repayment.