

**Addendum to the Federal Stafford Loan Master Promissory Note
Federal Family Education Loan Program**

The Higher Education Reconciliation Act of 2005 (HERA) and the College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007 (CCRAA) changed some of the terms of Federal Stafford Loans made under the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP). As a result, certain terms of the loan(s) you receive under the accompanying Federal Stafford Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN) differ from the terms in the MPN and Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement.

This Addendum describes the changes made to the loan terms by the HERA and CCRAA. Your loan is subject to those changes. The changes set forth in this Addendum are incorporated into and made a part of the accompanying MPN that you sign and the Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement.

- **MPN: Borrower Certifications and Authorizations.** *Effective for MPNs signed on or after July 1, 2006*, by signing your MPN, you are certifying, under penalty of perjury, that if you have been convicted of, or have pled *nolo contendere* or guilty to, a crime involving fraud in obtaining federal student assistance under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, you have completed the repayment of such funds to the U.S. Department of Education, or to the loan holder in the case of a Title IV federal student loan.
- **MPN: Borrower Certifications and Authorizations, Item 14E.** The first part of this item is revised to read as follows: "I request and authorize my lender to: (i) during the in-school and grace periods of any loans made under this Master Promissory Note, defer and align the repayment of principal on all of my FFELP loans, except for Federal PLUS Loans and Federal Consolidation Loans, that are in repayment status; and (ii)..."
- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 4, Maximum Program Loan Amounts.** *Effective for loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2007*, the annual loan maximums for certain categories of students in the chart titled "Federal Stafford Loan Maximums" are revised to read as follows:

DEPENDENT UNDERGRADUATES	Subsidized	Total (Subsidized and Unsubsidized)
First Year	\$3,500	\$3,500
Second Year	\$4,500	\$4,500
INDEPENDENT UNDERGRADUATES (and dependents whose parents are unable to borrow under the PLUS program)		
First Year	\$3,500	\$7,500
Second Year	\$4,500	\$8,500
GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS	\$8,500	\$20,500

There are no changes to any of the other annual or total loan maximums shown in the Federal Stafford Loan Maximums chart.

- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 7, Loan Fees.** *Effective for loans for which the date of guarantee of principal is on or after July 1, 2006*, this item is revised to read as follows: "7. **Loan Fees** - I may be charged an origination fee and/or a federal default fee for each loan made under this MPN. Neither fee may exceed the rate as specified in the Act. If I am charged these fees, they will be deducted proportionately from each disbursement." **NOTE:** Any reference to a guarantee fee in the MPN is deemed to be a reference to the federal default fee.
- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 8, Disbursement of Loan Money.** *Effective July 1, 2006*, loan money for students enrolled in foreign schools generally must be sent to the school and disbursed in multiple installments.
- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 12, Repayment.** *Effective July 1, 2009*, an Income-Based Repayment Plan is available. Under this plan, the required monthly payment amount will be based on a borrower's income during any period when the borrower has a partial financial hardship. The maximum repayment period under this plan may exceed 10 years. Eligible borrowers who meet certain requirements over a specified period of time may qualify for cancellation of any outstanding balance on their loans.
- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 13, Interest Rates.** *Effective for loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2006*, a Federal Stafford Loan has a fixed interest rate. However, different fixed interest rates may apply to separate loans made under the MPN depending on when the first disbursement of the loan is made.
- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 14, Payment of Interest.** The first sentence in this item is revised to read as follows: "My lender will, during the in-school, grace, and deferment periods and during any period in which I am on active-duty military service, postpone and align principal payments on my outstanding FFELP loans, except for Federal PLUS Loans and Federal Consolidation Loans."
- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 17, Loan Discharge.** *Effective July 1, 2006*, a loan is also eligible for discharge if it is determined that the borrower's eligibility for the loan was falsely certified as a result of a crime of identity theft.
- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 20, Special Repayment Arrangements.** *Effective for consolidation applications received on or after July 1, 2006*, a married couple may no longer borrow a Federal Consolidation Loan as joint borrowers. *Effective July 1, 2008*, a borrower may consolidate his or her FFELP loans into the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program to take advantage of the public service loan forgiveness program. This program provides for the cancellation of the remaining balance due on eligible Direct Loan Program loans after the borrower has made 120 payments (after October 1, 2007) on those Direct Loans under certain repayment plans while the borrower is employed in certain public service jobs.
- **Borrower's Rights and Responsibilities Statement: Item 21, Deferments.** *Effective July 1, 2006*, a deferment is available for a period during which a borrower is serving on active duty during a war or other military operation or national emergency, or performing qualifying National Guard duty during a war or other military operation or national emergency, and if a borrower is serving on or after October 1, 2007, for the 180-day period following the demobilization date for the qualifying service. *Effective October 1, 2007*, a borrower who is a member of the National Guard or other reserve component of the U. S. Armed Forces (current or retired) and who is called or ordered to active duty while enrolled at an eligible school, or within 6 months after having been enrolled, is eligible for a deferment during the 13 months following the conclusion of the active duty service, or until the date the borrower returns to enrolled student status, whichever is earlier.