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- Student/Parent Loans - ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible for any Federal student loans, you must be at least a half-time student (taking at least 4 credit hours each term), be enrolled in an eligible program/classes, and SAP compliant. First-time loan borrowers at IHCC must complete Loan Entrance Counseling and sign a MPN before loans will be released.

STUDENT LOAN DEFINITIONS

DIRECT STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED (SUB LOAN):

The Federal government pays the interest while you're in school at least half-time.

NOTE: Since this is the better of the two types of student loans, we will award you the most we can of this type of loan (the SUB loan) up to your requested loan amount, or the maximum amount of your eligibility, whichever is less.

DIRECT STAFFORD UNSUBSIDIZED (UNSUB LOAN):

Interest does accrue while you're in school. It is billed quarterly. You can defer the interest, i.e., elect to not pay the interest now and instead have the interest added to the loan principal. The interest rate for Subsidized student loans and Unsubsidized student loans does vary.

MAXIMUM STUDENT LOAN AMOUNTS

	<u>DEPENDENT STUDENT</u>	<u>INDEPENDENT STUDENT</u>
<u>1st YEAR:</u>	\$ 3,500 SUB &/or UNSUB + \$ 2,000 Additional UNSUB \$ 5,500 TOTAL MAXIMUM LOAN	\$ 3,500 SUB &/or UNSUB + \$ 6,000 Additional UNSUB \$ 9,500 TOTAL MAXIMUM LOAN
<u>2nd YEAR:</u>	\$ 4,500 SUB &/or UNSUB + \$ 2,000 Additional UNSUB \$ 6,500 TOTAL MAXIMUM LOAN	\$ 4,500 SUB &/or UNSUB + \$ 6,000 Additional UNSUB \$ 10,500 TOTAL MAXIMUM LOAN

(*You must have successfully completed at least 24 credit hours in an eligible program to be considered a "2nd Year" student.)

REMEMBER: The TOTAL annual loan amount you are requesting will be divided between the appropriate number of terms based on your program and expected graduation date.

MAXIMUM PARENT (PLUS) LOAN AMOUNT

Parent (PLUS) Loans are credit-based. The maximum amount of a PARENT (PLUS) Loan cannot exceed the student's Cost of Attendance (Tuition, Fees, Room & Board, Books & Supplies, etc.) MINUS any other Financial Aid received by the student per academic year. The Parent (PLUS) Loan application can be found at www.studentloans.gov or is available by request in the Financial Aid Office. On the Parent (PLUS) Loan Application, list the approximate amount your parents need to assist with paying for your education. We will calculate their maximum eligibility. Then we'll submit their loan for the lesser of the two. After the Master Promissory Note has been signed and approval received, the amount they've been awarded will be divided by and disbursed over the appropriate number of terms requested.

IMPORTANT: A separate application (either electronic at the above website or a paper one provided by IHCC) is required for PLUS loans. No PLUS loans will be offered or certified without an application.

NOTE: Loan amounts borrowed for all student/parent loans will have some fees assessed and subtracted from loan funds received (NET).