

Important: Pursuant to Section 155 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, (HEA) and to satisfy the requirements of Section 128(e)(3) of the Truth in Lending Act, a lender must obtain a self-certification signed by the applicant before disbursing a private education loan. The school is required on request to provide this form or the required information only for students admitted or enrolled at the school. Throughout this Applicant Self-Certification, "you" and "your" refer to the applicant who is applying for the loan. The applicant and the student may be the same person.

Instructions: Before signing, carefully read the entire form, including the definitions and other information on the following page. Submit the signed form to your lender.

SECTION 1: NOTICES TO APPLICANT

SECTION 5: DEFINITIONS

Cost of attendance is an estimate of tuition and fees, room and board, transportation, and other costs for the period of enrollment covered by the loan, as determined by the school. A student's cost of attendance may be obtained from the school's financial aid office.

Estimated financial assistance is all federal, state, institutional (school), private, and other sources of assistance used in determining eligibility for most Title IV student financial aid, including amounts of financial assistance used to replace the expected family contribution. The student's estimated financial assistance is determined by the school and may be obtained from the school's financial aid office.

A **lender** is a private education lender as defined in Section 140 of the Truth in Lending Act and any other person engaged in the business of securing, making, or extending private education loans on behalf of the lender.

A period of enrollment is the academic year, academic term (such as semester, trimester, or quarter), or the number of weeks of instructional time for which the applicant is requesting the loan.

A **private education loan** is a loan provided by a private education lender that is not a Title IV loan and that is issued expressly for postsecondary education expenses, regardless of whether the loan is provided through the school that the student attends or directly to the borrower from the private education lender. A private education loan does not include (1) An extension of credit under an open-end consumer credit plan, a reverse mortgage transaction, a residential mortgage transaction, or any other loan that is secured by real property or a dwelling; or (2) An extension of credit in which the school is the lender if the term of the extension of credit is 90 days or less or an interest rate will not be applied to the credit balance and the term of the extension of credit is one year or less, even if the credit is payable in more than four installments.

Title IV student financial aid includes the Federal Pell Grant Program, the Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG) Program, the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) Program, the Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (L