

How to Apply for a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan?

Please Review

- It is highly recommended that you complete the loan application steps below at least one month prior to the beginning of the semester.
- Please Register for all your classes for a given semester

There are four components to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan application:

[Step 1: Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#)

[Step 2: Entrance Counseling](#)

[Step 3: Master Promissory Note \(MPN\)](#)

[Step 4: Loan Request Form](#)

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[Step 1: Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#)

- Must be completed online and submitted each academic year.
- Boston University School Code **002130**
- Available to US Citizens, Permanent Residents, and eligible non-Citizens
- Loan will vary depending on the academic year and enrollment status
- We encourage students to use the [IRS Data Retrieval Tool](#) to import your IRS federal income tax information from the IRS to your FAFSA

[Step 2: Entrance Counseling](#)

- This only needs to be completed once for the duration of your program at BU.
- Access it online at <https://studentaid.gov/> by logging in with your federal Student Aid ID (the same one used to complete your FAFSA) and follow the links to Complete Entrance Counseling.

[Step 3: Master Promissory Note \(MPN\)](#)

- This only needs to be completed once for the duration of your program at BU.
- Access it online at <https://studentaid.gov/> by logging in with your federal Student Aid ID (the same one used to complete your FAFSA) and complete a Loan Agreement for a Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loan (MPN).

Be sure to complete the MPN for the Sub/Unsub loans and not for the PLUS loans, unless you will also be borrowing a Grad PLUS loan this year as well.

[Step 4: Loan Request Form](#)

- Complete the appropriate loan request form below for the Direct Unsubsidized Loan, following instructions at the link provided:
 - Use [this form](#) for Summer 2023
 - Use [this form](#) for Fall 2023/Spring 2024

Note: If you plan on requesting loans for Summer 2023 and Fall 2023/2024 you would have to fill out both forms above.

Appendix

i. Helpful Links

- [CFA Graduate Financial Aid - Main Website](#)
- [\[FAQs\] Frequently Asked Questions - Graduate Financial Aid](#)
- [Forms for Loans & Financing Options](#)

ii. QR Codes

Forms for Loans & Financing Options



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[FAQs] Frequently Asked Questions - Graduate Financial Aid



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2023-2024 Cfa Graduate Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan Request

(Form is for Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 only)



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