**2020-21 Federal Loan Processing**

* U.S. Department of Education is the lender
* Must be enrolled in 6 or more credits to be eligible and be meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress
* Entrance counseling (review of your rights & responsibilities) must be completed the first time you borrow
* For loans disbursed on or after 7/1/20 and before 6/30/21, the interest is fixed at **2.75%**; this rate is fixed for the life of the loan
* For loans disbursed on or after 10/1/20 there is an origination fee of **1.057**%
* Maximum amount for 1st year student (<28 credits earned) is $5,500 per year
* Maximum amount for 2nd year student (28+ credits earned) is $6,500 per year
* Repayment is deferred until 6 months after you graduate, leave school, or fall below 6 credits in any term
* Several repayment options; generally 10-25 years depending on the plan selected

**Application Process**

* Ensure the 2020-21 FAFSA has been completed via [*https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa*](https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)
* Accept your federal loan offer via Self Service Banner. For detailed instructions please visit:

http://www.sunyacc.edu/sites/default/files/banner\_instructions%212\_0.pdf

* Log into <https://studentaid.gov/> to complete the Master Promissory Note (MPN) & Entrance Counseling
  + Log in [HERE](https://studentaid.gov/mpn/) using your FSA ID & select *Complete Master Promissory Note (MPN)*

\*Be sure to complete the MPN for subsidized/unsubsidized loans

* + Log in at [HERE](https://studentaid.gov/app/counselingInstructions.action?counselingType=entrance)using your FSA ID & select *Complete Entrance Counseling*

The Student Accounts Office will notify the family **in writing** that the loan has been disbursed to the student’s account, provide an opportunity to refuse all or part of the loan, and provide a date on which a refund (if applicable) will be available. If you elect to have the borrower receive a refund, a check will be mailed to the address provided on the application. Account information, including balance/credit information, can also be viewed in the Student Accounts section of the student’s Self Service Banner account.