## **Choose what's right** for you

You can pay while you're in school or defer (delay) making payments until you leave school—whatever fits your financial and professional goals. Each option is available with a fixed or variable interest rate.

#### **Option 1**

#### Make interest-only payments while in school<sup>5</sup>

- Want to save the most money over time?
   Choose this option.
- Keeping up with the interest will help you lower the total cost of your loan.

#### Option 2

#### Pay a fixed amount each month while in school<sup>5</sup>

- Even paying a fixed amount while in school could save you money over time.
- Unpaid interest will accrue (add up) during school.

#### **Option 3**

#### Make no payments until after school⁵

- · You can defer payments if you need to.
- The total cost of your loan will be more, as interest accrues while you're in school.

#### Go for scholarships first

Our Graduate School Scholarship Search connects you with scholarships that match your field of study, skills, and interests. Register for free at salliemae.com/scholarshipsearch.

For more resources and strategies on paying for school, visit salliemae.com/gradinfo.

#### Borrow responsibly

We encourage students and families to start with savings, grants, scholarships, and federal student loans to pay for college. Students and families should evaluate all anticipated monthly loan payments, and how much the student expects to earn in the future, before considering a private student loan.

This loan is for graduate students at participating degree-granting schools. Students who are not U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents must reside in the U.S., attend a participating school in the U.S., apply with a creditworthy cosigner (who must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident) and provide an unexpired government-issued photo ID to verify their identity. Applications are subject to a requested minimum loan amount of \$1,000. Current credit and other eligibility criteria apply.

- 1 Explore federal loans and compare to make sure you understand the terms and features. Private student loans that have variable rates can go up over the life of the loan. Federal student loans are required by law to provide a range of flexible repayment options, including, but not limited to, income-based repayment and income-contingent repayment plans, and loan forgiveness and deferment benefits, which other student loans are not required to provide. Federal loans generally have origination fees, but are available to students regardless of income.
- 2 Loan amount cannot exceed the cost of attendance less financial aid received, as certified by the school. Sallie Mae reserves the right to approve a lower loan amount than the school-certified amount. Miscellaneous personal expenses (such as a laptop) may be included in the cost of attendance for students enrolled at least half-time.
- 3 Although we do not charge a penalty or fee if you prepay your loan, any prepayment will be applied as outlined in your promissory note—first to Unpaid Fees and costs, then to Unpaid Interest, and then to Current Principal.
- 4 You must apply for a new loan each school year. This approval percentage is based on students with a Sallie Mae undergraduate loan in the 2019/20 school year who were approved when they returned in 2020/21. It does not include the denied applications of students who were ultimately approved in 2020/21.
- 5 Interest is charged starting when funds are sent to the school. With the Fixed and Deferred Repayment Options, the interest rate is higher than with the Interest Repayment Option and Unpaid Interest is added to the loan's Current Principal at the end of the grace/separation period. Payments may be required during the grace/separation period depending on the repayment option selected. Variable rates may increase over the life of the loan
- 6 Available for loans used to pay qualified higher education expenses at a degree-granting institution. The Graduated Repayment Period (GRP) allows interest-only payments for 12 billing periods after principal and interest repayment begins. At the time of the GRP request, the loan cannot be past due. Customers can request the GRP during the six billing periods before and the 12 billing periods immediately after the loan first enters principal and interest repayment. The GRP does not extend the loan term but does increase the Total Loan Cost. Monthly payments after the GRP will be higher than they would have been without it.
- 7 The borrower or cosigner must enroll in auto debit through Sallie Mae to receive a 0.25 percentage point interest rate reduction benefit. This benefit applies only during active repayment for as long as the Current Amount Due or Designated Amount is successfully withdrawn from the authorized bank account each month. It may be suspended during forbearance or deferment, if available for the loan.
- 8 This promotional benefit is provided at no cost to borrowers with undergraduate, graduate, or parent loans with a first disbursement between May 1, 2021 and April 30, 2024. Borrowers who reside in, attend school in, or borrow for a student attending school in Maine are not eligible for this benefit. Chegg Study® offers expert Q&A where students can submit up to 20 questions per month. No cash value. Terms and Conditions apply. Please visit http://www.chegg.com/legal/smtermsandconditions for complete details. This offer expires one year after issuance.
- 9 Borrowers and cosigners with an available FICO® Score and a Sallie Mae loan with a current balance greater than \$0, may receive their score quarterly after the first disbursement of their loan. The FICO® Score provided to you is the FICO® Score 8 based on TransUnion data, and is the same score that Sallie Mae uses, along with other information, to manage your account. FICO® Scores and associated educational content are provided solely for your own non-commercial personal review, use and benefit. This benefit may change or end in the future. FICO® is a registered trademark of the Fair Isaac Corporation in the United States and other countries.

10 Federal student loan information was gathered on March 25, 2022 from studentaid.gov.

11 No more than 365 days can pass from the loan period end date to the first disbursement of the loan. At the time of request, the student must be enrolled, intending to enroll, or have graduated. The student must have been enrolled during the prior enrollment period for which the loan is requested and must not have withdrawn with no intention of re-enrolling, as verified by the school. Prior enrollment period must also be in graduate field of study that is eligible for the loan.

Information advertised valid as of March 25, 2022.

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## Take your career to the next level

Sallie Mae® Graduate School Loan



## Apply today at salliemae.com/graduate

For degree-granting institutions

## Pay for school with confidence

The Sallie Mae Graduate School Loan lets you choose the options that are right for you, and offers benefits that a Graduate PLUS Loan doesn't—like no origination fee, free study help, and access to your credit score.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Need money? We've got you covered**

- Get 100% coverage of school-certified costs, like tuition, fees, books, housing, meals, travel, and technology—with no max for all years of grad school.<sup>2</sup>
- Apply once to get the money you need for the entire school year.
- Pay no origination fee or prepayment penalty.3
- Year after year, you can get the money you need to cover your school-certified expenses— Undergraduate students have a 96% approval rate when they return to Sallie Mae® with a cosigner<sup>4</sup>

### Get repayment flexibility as you build your career

- Start life after school with a six-month grace period.<sup>5</sup>
- Make 12 monthly interest-only payments as you enter repayment with the Graduated Repayment Period (for eligible borrowers).<sup>6</sup>

#### Pay less for your loan

- Get a 0.25 percentage-point interest rate reduction when you make monthly payments through auto debit.<sup>7</sup>
- Reduce your interest rate by 0.50 percentage points when you choose the interest repayment option versus the deferred repayment option.<sup>5</sup>

## **Set yourself up for success**

#### **⊘** Chegg® study help benefit

Get 4 months of free textbook solutions and expert Q&A with Chegg Study® PLUS 4 months of writing help with Chegg Writing®, AND 4 months of custom equation solutions with Chegg Math Solver®.8

#### **Consider a cosigner**

A creditworthy cosigner isn't always necessary but having one may increase your chances of approval.

#### Track your credit health

You and your cosigner will have free access to quarterly FICO® Scores online.9 You'll also see the key factor(s) affecting your score and educational content to help you understand why keeping tabs on your credit is important.

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## Compare the Sallie Mae Graduate School Loan to the Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan

We encourage you to apply and compare our rates to the rate offered on the Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan. You may find that our loan offers a lower rate if you're a highly qualified borrower.¹ Check out these features and choose the loan that's right for you.

	Sallie Mae Graduate School Loan	Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan <sup>10</sup>
Origination fee	No	4.228% for loans first disbursed on or after October 1, 2021 and before October 1, 2022
Repayment options	Two in-school choices or defer until after school⁴	Check <b>studentaid.gov</b> for available repayment options
Enrollment status	Full-time, half-time, less than half-time	Must be at least half-time
Grace period	6 months⁵	6 months
Interest capitalization at the end of the grace period	Unpaid interest capitalizes at the end of the 6-month grace period <sup>5</sup>	Unpaid interest capitalizes when repayment begins at the end of the 6-month grace period
Benefits	<ul> <li>0.25 percentage-point interest rate reduction for enrolling in and making monthly payments through auto debit<sup>7</sup></li> <li>4 months of free Chegg Study<sup>®8</sup></li> <li>Quarterly FICO<sup>®</sup> Credit Score for free<sup>9</sup></li> </ul>	0.25 percentage-point interest rate reduction for automatic debit enrollment
Available to cover prior loan periods	Yes, up to 365 days <sup>11</sup>	Prior-year charges not exceeding \$200
Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) required	No (unless it's the school's policy)	Yes, in addition to the FAFSA, some states/colleges require additional forms or applications for aid
Death and disability loan forgiveness	Yes, if a student dies or becomes permanently and totally disabled, the current balance of the loan will be waived	Yes, if the primary borrower dies or becomes permanently and totally disabled, the loan will be waived if certain conditions are met



#### Did you know?

You can use this loan for a graduate certificate or graduate continuing education courses at a degree-granting school.

#### **Available for international students**

Non-U.S. citizen students who reside in and attend school in the U.S. are eligible with a creditworthy cosigner (who must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident) and an unexpired government-issued photo ID to verify identity.