

Changes to Federal Stafford Loan Program for Undergraduates – Effective July 1, 2008

A. Dependent Undergraduate Students (unless student's parents are 'Denied' borrowing a Parent PLUS Loan):

- students in this category can now receive an additional \$2,000 Unsubsidized Loan in addition to their Stafford Loan

Dependent Undergraduate Students	Base Stafford Amounts ¹	** <i>New Loan Funds</i> **		New Annual Loan Limit ³
		Additional <u>Unsubsidized</u> Loan Amount ²		
		Prior to 07-01-2008	Effective 07-01-2008	
Freshman	\$ 3,500	Zero	\$ 2,000	\$ 5,500
Sophomore	\$ 4,500	Zero	\$ 2,000	\$ 6,500
Junior	\$ 5,500	Zero	\$ 2,000	\$ 7,500
Senior	\$ 5,500	Zero	\$ 2,000	\$ 7,500

B. Dependent Undergraduate Students (whose parents are 'Denied' a Parent PLUS Loan) and for Independent Student:

- students in this category can now receive an additional \$2,000 Unsubsidized Loan in addition to the other Stafford Loan funds to which they are currently authorized

Dependent Undergraduate Students	Base Stafford Amounts ¹	** <i>New Loan Funds</i> **			New Annual Loan Limit ³
		Additional <u>Unsubsidized</u> Loan Amount ²			
		Prior to 07-01-2008		Effective 07-01-2008	
Freshman	\$ 3,500	\$ 4,000	+	\$ 2,000	\$ 9,500
Sophomore	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,000	+	\$ 2,000	\$ 10,500
Junior	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,000	+	\$ 2,000	\$ 12,500
Senior	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,000	+	\$ 2,000	\$ 12,500

Important Notes:

- ¹ Base Stafford Amounts can be subsidized or unsubsidized (in some cases, the base Stafford will be split into a subsidized portion and an unsubsidized portion – the sum of both being the annual base Stafford limit according to class level).
 - ² Any undergraduate student can obtain the newly authorized \$ 2,000 loan – however, note that this \$ 2,000 is defined as 'Additional Unsubsidized Loan' funds.
 - ³ New Annual Loan Limits – it is critical that each student understand which of the above tables applies to them!
 - **Table A:** ALL Dependent Students should use this table unless their parent(s) has been 'Denied' the opportunity to borrow a Parent PLUS Loan (a parent rejecting this loan is not the same as a parent being denied the loan by a lender)
 - **Table B:** ALL Independent Students and any Dependent Student whose parent(s) has been 'Denied' a Parent PLUS Loan
- ** These 'Annual Loan Limits' reflect the maximum loan funding available (this does not mean a student is required to take this amount).

New Aggregate Loan Limits – also effective July 1, 2008

- **Dependent Students:** \$ 31,500 (no more than 23,000 of which can be subsidized)
- **Independent Students** } \$ 57,500 (no more than 23,000 of which can be subsidized)
- or
- **Dependent Students whose parent has been 'denied' PLUS Loans:** }