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CSUDH ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Financial Aid Document Submission Cover Sheet

Please complete the information requested below, submit this form along with your documents. REMINDER: When uploading your documents to the DropBox, please exercise caution when using Free WiFi or Public Computers as these are not secure.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Enter Last Name, First Name, MI*

Toro Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Area Code) (i.e. 222-1234)*

Be sure to include your CSUDH student ID number on the front and back of each page submitted and allow 24-48 hours for your To Do List to be updated.

### Submission Instructions

In the following page(s), complete all requested information using the fillable document below. Your document must be complete to be accepted by the Financial Aid Office. Forms that are incomplete will remain on your To-Do list in the Student Center.

1. Upon completing this document, scroll to the bottom where you are asked to sign and date. In the signature area, type your name and in the date space type today's date.
2. Save your document. Name your document with your Initials and CSUDH ID #
3. If you have attachments, please have them ready to upload to the DropBox
4. Return to the Financial Aid Forms section to the "Submit My Documents link"
5. Once all documents have been submitted, be sure to close your browser.

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**2020-2021 Federal Graduate PLUS Loan Information & Request Form**

Federal Direct Grad PLUS loans are available to graduate and professional students attending school at least half time (4 units of 500 level coursework). These loans are credit based and available regardless of financial need. The amount of eligibility depends on the estimated cost of attendance. There is no grace period on Direct Grad PLUS Loans and repayment begins within 60 days of your final disbursement.

**✓ Eligibility Information**

- Complete the 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov).
- Once the school has received your FAFSA, additional documents may be required. Check your “To Do List” on [my.csudh.edu](http://my.csudh.edu) and submit the necessary information to the Financial Aid Office.
- A financial aid offer will be available for review on the Student Center at [my.csudh.edu](http://my.csudh.edu).
- An Unsubsidized Federal Direct Loan is offered and must be acknowledged by you. The Financial Aid Office recommends acceptance of this loan prior to applying for the Grad PLUS.
- Must be enrolled in at least 4 units (500 series) each semester in a graduate degree or graduate certificate program and maintaining CSUDH Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards
- Not have an adverse credit history.

**✓ Apply Online**

- You must log on to [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov), select “Apply For Aid,” select “Apply for a GRAD PLUS Loan” and log in to complete the application.
- If approved, you must complete the Graduate PLUS entrance counseling and Master Promissory Note online at [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov) and complete and submit the Federal Graduate PLUS Loan Request Form to the CSUDH Financial Aid Office.

**✓ Fees and Loan Limits**

- There is a 4.236% processing fee for loans first disbursed before October 1, 2020 (fee is subject to change after October 1, 2020). Keep this in consideration when determining the amount of your request.
- The Graduate PLUS Loan interest rate is fixed for loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2020 and before July 1, 2021 at 5.30%.
- Graduate and professional degree students are eligible to borrow up to their cost of attendance minus other estimated financial assistance.

**✓ If PLUS is Denied**

- The U.S. Department of Education Student Loan Support Center will notify you and explain why the loan was denied. The Student Loan Support Center will also provide the name and address of the credit bureau that supplied the credit data.
- You will have the following options:
  - Reapply for the loan with an endorser on [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov). Notify the Financial Aid Office after the Endorser has been approved and the Endorser Addendum has been completed.
  - Appeal the decision online at [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov). If you feel that the information your credit decision is based on is incorrect or you believe you qualify for a review based on extenuating circumstances, you may begin the process in one of the following ways:
    - Log in to [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov) and select “Document Extenuating Circumstances” on navigation bar. Follow directions. The Student Loan Support Center will contact you with further instructions.
    - Contact the Student Loan Support Center between 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM, Eastern Time, Monday through Friday. They may be reached toll-free at 1-800-557-7394.
- If your loan is approved upon appeal or obtaining an approved endorser, you will need to complete a separate PLUS Credit counseling at [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov).



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**2020-2021 Federal Graduate PLUS Loan Request Form**

**Step 1: Apply Online**

1. Log on to [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov) using your FSA ID
  2. Select "Apply for Aid," and select "Apply for a GRAD PLUS Loan" and complete the application.
  3. Select Award Year 2020-2021
- Once submitted, you will be notified of your credit decision.

**Step 2: Check off Applicable boxes**

<p><u>Credit Approved:</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have completed the Graduate PLUS Entrance Counseling</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have completed the Master Promissory Note for PLUS loans</p>	<p><u>Credit Denied:</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have appealed the credit decision online at <a href="http://studentaid.gov">studentaid.gov</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have reapplied for the loan with an approved endorser</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have completed the Graduate PLUS Entrance Counseling</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have completed the Master Promissory Note for PLUS loans</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have completed the PLUS credit counseling</p>
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**Step3: Amount Requested\***

<p>\$ _____</p>	<p>*Your award, which can be found in the Student Center on my.csudh.edu, can assist you in determining the amount of your request. The loan amount certified <b>cannot</b> exceed the Cost of Attendance.</p>
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By signing this form I certify that this information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this is a Graduate PLUS Loan that is credit based and that it must be repaid. I understand that the Graduate PLUS loan is money received under Title IV student financial aid and will only be used for educational expenses for attendance at California State University, Dominguez Hills.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

<i>Financial Aid Office Use Only</i>		
_____ F21DLG Checklist Added _____ Enrollment	_____ Entrance Counseling _____ MPN	_____ PLUS Credit Counseling