



Federal Direct Loan Request & Update Form 2025-2026

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ LMC Student ID: _____
 Phone: (____) _____ LMC Email: _____

- **Subsidized Loan**—Need-based funds. Interest is paid by the government while the student is in school at least half-time (6 credit hours).
- **Unsubsidized Loan**—Interest accrues from loan disbursement through life of the loan. The student pays interest while in school.
- **Origination Fees and Interest Rates**—The origination fee is a loan processing fee that the federal government takes out of the loans before disbursement to help run the program. For all Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized loans originated on or after October 1, 2020, the origination fee is 1.057%. The current fixed interest rate for new Direct Loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2024, and before July 1 2025 is 6.53%.
- **Loan Limits**—LMC students cannot borrow beyond the sophomore level. The full “Base” loan amount can be fully or partly Subsidized depending on eligibility. If not eligible for Subsidized, then the base amount is Unsubsidized.

Maximum Eligibility Table:

Grade Level	Dependent Students			Independent Students		
Freshman 0-29 credit hours	Base: \$3,500 (Subsidized)	Max Add'l: \$2,000 (Unsubsidized)	Total Max: \$5,500 (Combined Total)	Base: \$3,500 (Subsidized)	Max Add'l: \$6,000 (Unsubsidized)	Total Max: \$9,500 (Combined total)
	(No more than \$3,500 subsidized)			(No more than \$3,500 subsidized)		
Sophomore 30+ credit hours	Base: \$4,500 (Subsidized)	Max Add'l: \$2,000 (Unsubsidized)	Total Max: \$6,500 (Combined Total)	Base: \$4,500 (Subsidized)	Max Add'l: \$6,000 (Unsubsidized)	Total Max: \$10,500 (Combined total)
	(No more than \$4,500 subsidized)			(No more than \$4,500 subsidized)		
Aggregate Loan Limits	Subsidized Total:	\$23,000		Subsidized Total:	\$23,000	
	Unsubsidized Total:	\$8,000		Unsubsidized Total:	\$34,500	
	Combined Total:	\$31,000		Combined Total:	\$57,500	

- I understand that the total amount of financial aid (including loans) cannot exceed the total cost of attendance as established by Lake Michigan College.
- I understand that I must remain enrolled in and actively attend at least 6 credit hours each semester of the loan period at the time of disbursement to receive loan funds.
- I understand that the loan proceeds must only be used for authorized expenses including tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, course equipment, dependent childcare, and/or transportation costs.
- I understand all loan request forms are reviewed by the Financial Aid Department and Lake Michigan College can refuse to originate the loan or can modify the loan amount if the school documents the reason and explains the reason to the borrower.
- I understand that I have the right to cancel all or a portion of my loan. All cancellation notices must be done in writing and submitted to the Financial Aid Office before any loans are disbursed.
- I understand that I am required to go through Exit Counseling at studentaid.gov within 30 days from the time I drop below 6 credit hours, cease enrollment, or graduate from my degree program.
- The Federal Student Aid website studentaid.gov provides information to track and manage federal student loans and/or grants. It is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Use your FSA ID and password to access this information.

Student Certification (Must be hand-signed by the requesting student before submitting)

With my signature below, I certify that I have read and understand the information in this document regarding Federal Direct Loans. I further understand that financial aid policies, procedures, and guidelines are not limited to what is provided in this document and that it is my responsibility to obtain, read and understand all policies and regulations relative to my loans and any other financial aid. I understand that if I do not fully understand everything on this form that I will contact the Financial Aid Department for clarification before signing.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

1. Request/Update my existing **SUBSIDIZED** loan for the following semester(s): ☐ **Fall/Spring**

☐ **Fall only** (Fall graduation Date: _____) ☐ **Spring only** (No fall enrollment, 6+ credits) ☐ **Summer only***

**When requesting a Summer only loan, keep in mind that there are no additional loan funds if the full amount of your loan was disbursed for Fall/Spring.*

☐ **Cancel** the unpaid amount

☐ **Reduce** the unpaid amount. I would like to borrow \$_____ total loan for the indicated semester(s).

☐ **Reinstate** the canceled/declined loan. I would like to borrow \$_____ total loan for the indicated semester(s).

2. Request additional **UNSUBSIDIZED** loan for the following semester(s): ☐ **Fall/Spring**

☐ **Fall only** (Fall graduation Date: _____) ☐ **Spring only** (No fall enrollment, 6+ credits) ☐ **Summer only***

**When requesting a Summer only loan, keep in mind that there are no additional loan funds if the full amount of your loan was disbursed for Fall/Spring.*

I would like to borrow \$_____ (Refer to table below or on front of the form for maximum eligibility limits)

Grade Level	Dependent Students	Independent Students
Freshman: 0 – 29 credit hours	\$5,500 (no more than \$3,500 subsidized)	\$9,500 (no more than \$3,500 subsidized)
Sophomore: 30 – 59 credit hours	\$6,500 (no more than \$4,500 subsidized)	\$10,500 (no more than \$4,500 subsidized)

You may not be eligible for the entire amount of your request based on program limits or eligibility as determined by your FAFSA and enrollment level. The student profile will show the changes, usually within 5-7 business days approximately.

Helpful links to understanding your loans (click on the hyperlink or visit StudentAid.gov or nsldsfa.ed.gov):

[NSLDS Financial Aid Review](#)

[Federal Student Aid-Loans Review](#)

[Loan Repayment Estimator](#)

3. I have completed and submitted the following loan requirements:

- Accepted Student Loans through my Student Profile? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Signed and submitted my Master Promissory Note on StudentAid.gov? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Completed and submitted Loan Entrance Counseling on StudentAid.gov? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Student Certification (Must be hand-signed by the requesting student before submitting)

I also understand that if I withdraw from classes, I may be required to return part or all of the loan amount I receive and will do so upon notification of any outstanding return owed. My signature below also authorizes the changes to my Federal Direct Loans.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Loan Period: _____ Enrollment: ☐ FA _____ or ☐ SP _____ or ☐ SU _____ or ☐ Ind ☐ Dep Grade Level: _____

Budget Group: _____ Aggregate: ☐ Okay ☐ Met Max Sub ☐ Met Max Unsub SAP Status: ☐ O-Good ☐ FW ☐ Suspended

COA _____ – EFC _____ – Total Aid _____ = Unmet Need: _____ (sub limit, within student eligibility max)

COA _____ – Total Aid _____ = _____ (Unsub limit, within student eligibility max)

Loan already accepted: ☐ Sub _____ ☐ Unsub _____ Eligible/Approved Sub _____ Eligible/Approved Unsub _____

Manual Calc of COA: Fall Hrs _____ + Spring Hrs _____ + Summer Hrs _____ = \$ _____ Total

Loan processed by: _____ Date: _____

☐ Approved ☐ Denied ☐ RRAAREQ ☐ RHACOMM