



Calculating Award Amounts



Types Of Direct Loan

- Subsidized & Unsubsidized
 - Depending on borrower's need, the annual loan amounts may be
 - All subsidized
 - A combination of subsidized and unsubsidized
 - All unsubsidized
- Parent PLUS
- Grad PLUS





Subsidized Loan Eligibility

Subsidized loans are need-based

- $\text{COA} - \text{EFC} - \text{EFA} = \text{Subsidized Eligibility}$, not to exceed annual subsidized limit
 - COA is determined for the number of weeks/months in the loan period
 - EFC used is primary EFC on ISIR for number of months in the loan period
- Eligibility is determined **BEFORE** eligibility for unsubsidized loans

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Unsubsidized Loan Eligibility

Unsubsidized loans are not need-based

- $\text{COA} - \text{EFA} = \text{Unsubsidized Eligibility}$, not to exceed annual subsidized limit
- Eligibility is determined **AFTER** eligibility for subsidized loans

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PLUS Loans

- For dependent student's parent or graduate/professional student
- Maximum PLUS Loan is COA – EFA
 - PLUS loans may replace EFC
- There is no annual/aggregate limit
- Parent or graduate/professional student borrower must have no adverse credit
- Parent borrower not required to file FAFSA
- PLUS loans are not subsidized
 - School must offer subsidized and unsubsidized before PLUS

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Unsubsidized Stafford Loan Flexibility

- FAA *may* use professional judgment to award unsubsidized loans to dependent students without parental data
 - Parent must certify cessation of support and refusal to complete the FAFSA
 - ***School must document both items***
- Student may receive up to his/her maximum dependent loan eligibility. Entire amount would be unsubsidized
- Student would not be eligible for any other Title IV aid

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Determining Loan Periods

- Loan Period is period of enrollment for which loan is awarded
 - Loan periods may cross award years
- Loans must be disbursed equally by payment period

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Determining Loan Periods

- Maximum loan period
 - generally school's academic year.
 - If greater than an academic year, in some cases, loan is for the length of the program
- Minimum loan period
 - Standard term programs and SE9W programs: one academic term
 - All other programs: Lesser of
 - the academic year, the student's program, or
 - the remaining portion of the program, or
 - the remaining portion of an academic year

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Cost of Attendance (COA)

- COA is an estimate of the of student's educational expenses as determined by institution
 - Includes both direct institutional costs and indirect costs related to education



Components Of COA

- Tuition and fees
- Books and supplies, transportation and personal expenses
 - Includes the cost of a personal computer
- Allowance for room and board
- Dependent care costs
- Study abroad expenses
- Costs associated with a disability
- Cooperative-education-related expenses
- Loan fees



- Tom is a *dependent, third-year* student. His COA is \$20,000. His EFC is 3644. His total estimated financial aid is an honors scholarship for \$8,500. Calculate Tom's subsidized and unsubsidized Stafford loan amounts.




Tom's Eligibility

A. COA	\$20,000
B. EFC	- 3,644
C. EFA	- 8,500
D. Subtract B and C from A	= 7,856
E. Annual Subsidized Loan Limit \$3,500 1 st year, \$4,500 2 nd year, \$5,500 3 rd year and beyond; \$8,500 grad/professional, all years	\$ 5,500
F. Enter lesser of D and E. This is the maximum Subsidized Loan amount	\$ 5,500 Subsidized Loan



G. COA (Same as A above)	\$20,000
H. EFA (Sum of C and F)	- 14,000
I. Subtract H from G	= 6,000
J. Total Annual Loan Limit Dependent undergraduate: \$5,500 1st year, \$6,500 2nd year, \$7,500 3rd year and beyond. Independent undergraduate: \$9,500 1st year, \$10,500 2nd year, \$12,500 3rd year and beyond Grad/professional: \$20,500	7,500
K. Subsidized Loan Amount (F)	5,500
L. Subtract K from J	2,000
M. Enter lesser of box I or L. This is the maximum Unsubsidized Loan amount	\$ 2,000 Unsubsidized Loan



- Patrick is a *dependent, first-year* student. He has a COA of \$16,000. His EFC is 2408. To date, Patrick has received \$4,000 in scholarships from various sources. Calculate Patrick's subsidized and unsubsidized loan amounts.



Patrick's Eligibility

A. COA	\$16,000
B. EFC	- 2,408
C. EFA	- 4,000
D. Subtract B and C from A	= 9,592
E. Annual Subsidized Loan Limit \$3,500 1 st year, \$4,500 2 nd year, \$5,500 3 rd year and beyond; \$8,500 grad/professional, all years	\$ 3,500
F. Enter lesser of D and E. This is the maximum Subsidized Loan amount	\$ 3,500 Subsidized Loan



G. COA (Same as A above)	\$16,000
H. EFA (Sum of C and F)	- 7,500
I. Subtract H from G	= 8,500
J. Total Annual Loan Limit Dependent undergraduate: \$5,500 1 st year, \$6,500 2 nd year, \$7,500 3 rd year and beyond. Independent undergraduate: \$9,500 1 st year, \$10,500 2 nd year, \$12,500 3 rd year and beyond Grad/professional: \$20,500	5,500
K. Subsidized Loan Amount (F)	3,500
L. Subtract K from J	2,000
M. Enter lesser of box I or L. This is the maximum Unsubsidized Loan amount.	\$ 2,000 Unsubsidized Loan





Patrick – Packaged So Far

Scholarships	\$ 4,000
Loans	\$ 5,500
Other	\$ 0
Total EFA	\$ 9,500

Patrick 's Parents' PLUS Loan

COA	\$ 16,000
- EFA	\$ 9,500
= PLUS	\$ 6,500

PLUS eligibility may *never* exceed COA - EFA



Increased Unsubsidized Loan Eligibility

- What if Patrick's parents were denied a PLUS loan, or Patrick were independent?
- Calculate the unsubsidized amount for Patrick's award. COA is \$16,000. Patrick's EFC is 2408. His estimated financial assistance is \$4,000 in scholarships and a subsidized Stafford loan of \$3,500.



G. COA (Same as A above)	\$16,000
H. EFA (Include Subsidized Loan)	- 7,500
I. Subtract H from G	= 8,500
J. Total Annual Loan Limit Dependent undergraduate: \$5,500 1st year, \$6,500 2nd year, \$7,500 3rd year and beyond. Independent undergraduate: \$9,500 1st year, \$10,500 2nd year, \$12,500 3rd year and beyond Grad/professional: \$20,500	9,500
K. Subsidized Loan Amount (F)	3,500
L. Subtract K from J	6,000
M. Enter lesser of box I or L. This is the maximum Unsubsidized Loan amount.	\$ 6,000 Unsubsidized Loan



Master Promissory Note (MPN)

- School must use ED's MPN
 - Borrower must sign prior to loan disbursement
 - No dollar amount printed on the MPN
 - Only one MPN needed for subsidized and unsubsidized loans for same academic year
- PLUS MPN serves as application for loan and includes information for credit check
- MPN may be paper or electronic
 - Borrower has option to request a paper MPN



Prorating Annual Loan Limits

- Undergraduate student enrolled in program that is longer than an academic year and is in a final period of study that is less than an academic year

$$\frac{\text{Hours enrolled}}{\text{Hours in AY}} \times \text{Annual Loan Limit}$$

- Calculate subsidized and unsubsidized separately

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Prorating Annual Loan Limits

- Charlene is enrolled in a two year degree program, based on a semester calendar. She completes four semesters (two academic years) and still must earn 18 credits. She plans to enroll in fall semester, take 18 credits, and graduate in December.

$$\frac{18 \text{ Hours enrolled}}{24 \text{ Hours in AY}} \times 4,500 \text{ subsidized} = \$3,375$$

$$\frac{18 \text{ Hours enrolled}}{24 \text{ Hours in AY}} \times 2,000 \text{ unsubsidized} = \$1,500$$





Monitoring Annual Loan Limits

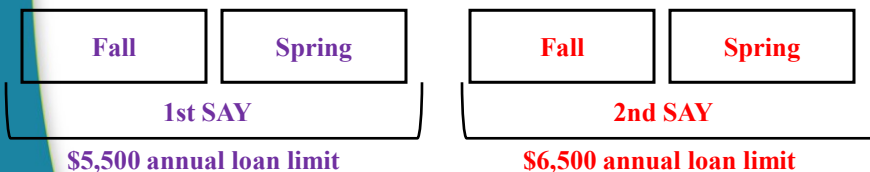
- Scheduled Academic Year (SAY)
 - Used by term-based credit-hour programs
 - Fixed period of time
 - Corresponds to academic year calendar

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SAY for Semester or Trimester-Based Program

2-Year Credit-Hour Program
Academic Year 24 Credits/ 30 Weeks

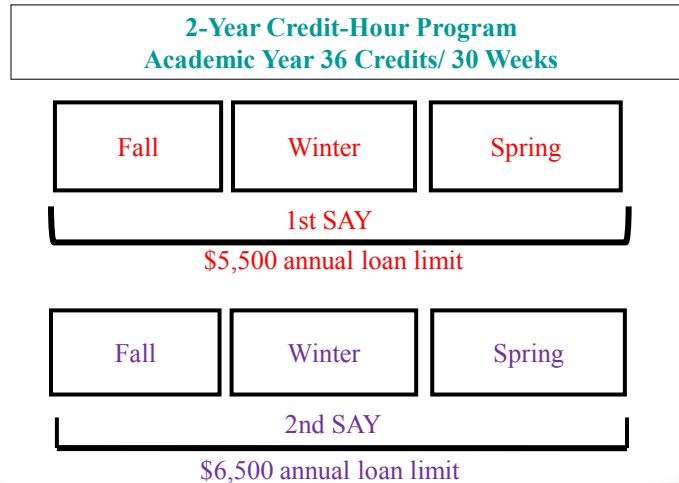


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SAY for Quarter-Based Program



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Process – Direct Loans



Monitoring Annual Loan Limits

- Borrower-based Academic Year (BBAY)
 - *Must* be used for clock-hour and nonterm programs and
 - *May* be used by term-based credit hour programs
 - Moves with student's attendance and progression in program

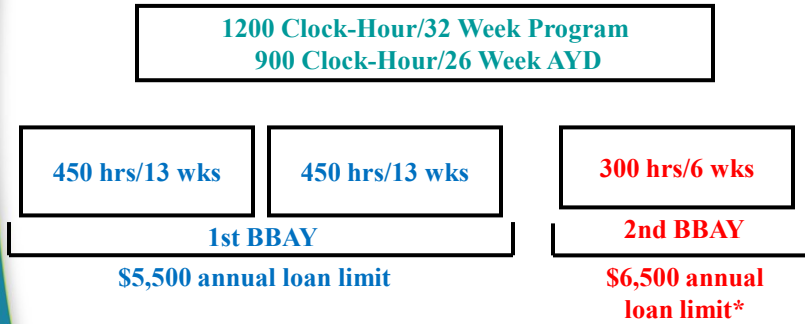
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BBAY – Clock-Hour Program

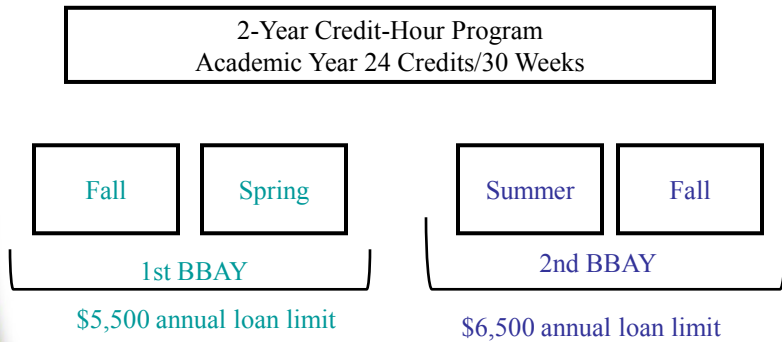


*You must prorate annual loan limit for final period less than an academic year
 $\$4,500 \times 300 / 900 = \$1,500$ Sub
 $\$2,000 \times 300 / 900 = \667 Unsub

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BBAY for Semester or Trimester-Based Program



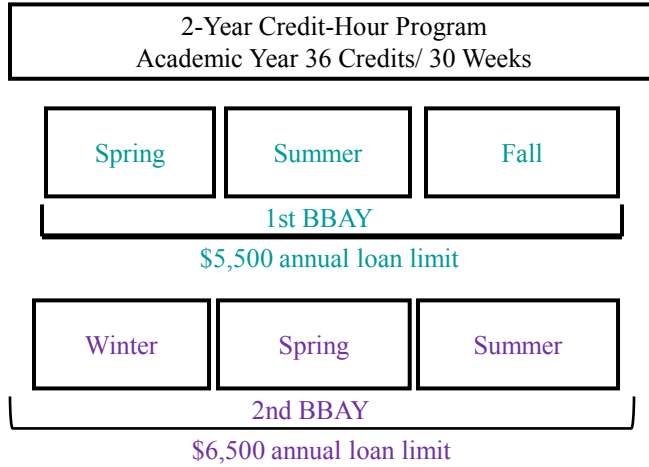
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BBAY for Quarter-Based Program



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