

2023-2024 Parent PLUS Loan and Graduate PLUS Loan Process

Available May 1, 2023

Federal Direct PLUS Loans are a credit-based loan available to parents of dependent undergraduate students or graduate professional students. **The credit check on the PLUS Loan is valid for 180 days. Please submit the 2023-2024 PLUS application no earlier than May 1, 2023**

TO APPLY FOR A PLUS LOAN FOR THE 2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR:

Step 1: The student submits a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Step 2: The parent borrower or graduate student borrower must complete an online PLUS Loan Application. Go to studentaid.gov and select “Apply for Aid” and click on

Apply for a Grad PLUS Loan

Apply for a Parent PLUS Loan

Step 3:  on studentaid.gov

Step 4: To Log in or Create an Account, the Borrower will need:

- FSA ID Username or Email
- FSA ID Password

If you forgot either, you can update by Clicking “Forgot My Username” or “Forgot My Password” links


Step 5: Contact Information and Communications Preferences: On this step the borrower will need to review Contact Information and Communication Preferences.

Step 6: Select the type of Direct PLUS Loan Application you would like to Complete or Preview.

Direct PLUS Loan Application for Graduate/Professional Student

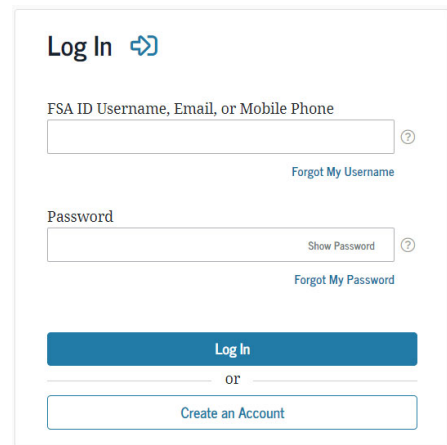
Or

Direct PLUS Loan Application for Parents

Then Press the  button on the correct Application

Step 7: Follow the steps to complete the application and credit check (**credit check results valid for 180 days**). In the School Name section, be sure to select:

School State: OHIO
School Name: Bowling Green State University
School Code/Branch: G03018
School Address: 1001 East Wooster Street
Bowling Green, OH 43403



The screenshot shows the login interface on studentaid.gov. It features a 'Log In' button with a refresh icon. Below it are two input fields: 'FSA ID Username, Email, or Mobile Phone' and 'Password'. Each field has a 'Forgot My Username' or 'Forgot My Password' link respectively. There are also 'Show Password' and 'Log In' buttons. At the bottom, there is an 'OR' separator and a 'Create an Account' button.

Step 8: The results of your credit check will be available immediately. If your credit is approved, you will be given instructions for completing a PLUS Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN), if you have not already completed one. If your credit is not approved, you will have the option to (1) not pursue the loan*, (2) obtain an endorser, or (3) appeal the credit decision. If you chose option 2 or 3, the borrower will be required to complete a PLUS loan Credit Counseling Session prior to disbursement of the loan.

*If the credit check is declined and the parent borrower wishes not to pursue the loan, the student is eligible for an additional unsubsidized loan funding. Additional unsubsidized loan funds will automatically be offered to your student.

The Department of Education will send notification to BGSU once the Application and Loan MPN have been completed and accepted. For further questions, please contact The Student Financial Aid and Scholarships Office at 419-372-2651 or secure email at sfa.bgsu.edu/asksfa