Aveda Institute New York Financial Aid Information

Aveda Institute New York's Financial Aid counselor is Rachel Harrington. She is available to meet or speak with students to assist them with the financial aid process. If you have any questions regarding the below information or other financial aid questions, please reach out to Rachel by phone at (212) 367-0328 or by email at rharring@aveda.com.

I. <u>Federal Financial Aid</u>

Procedures and Forms to Apply for Assistance- To apply for federal student aid, you need to complete the FAFSA, which is available at <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u>. Aveda Institute New York's school code is 038393. You will need to make a FSA ID to access the website. You can make an ID at <u>https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm</u>. After the application is submitted, the U.S. Department of Education will send you a Student Aid Report (SAR), which is a summary of the FAFSA data you submitted. You will receive a SAR within three days to three weeks after you submit your FAFSA. Our Financial Aid Office will then calculate your aid and send you an estimated award letter telling you how much aid you are eligible for at the school. If you see a note on your SAR saying that you have been selected for verification, we will contact you for documentation that supports the information you reported and by the deadline provided, or you will not be able to receive financial aid.

Credit worthy parents may apply for a Direct PLUS Loan at www.studentloans.gov. You will need to enter the amount you want to borrow. Parent borrowers must complete the Master Promissory Note (MPN) for the Direct PLUS loan. The MPN may be signed electronically at www.studentloans.gov using the parent's FSA ID.

Eligibility Requirements- To qualify for federal student aid (grants and loans), you have to satisfy certain requirements, including the following:

- 1. demonstrate financial need (for most programs);
- 2. be a U.S. citizen or an eligible noncitizen*;
 - * Students meeting the eligible Non-citizen criterion are:
 - A permanent U.S. resident with a Permanent Resident Card (I-551 or I-551C).
 - The holder of an I-94 from the Department of Homeland Security with one of the following designations:
 - o Refugee
 - o Asylum Granted
 - Parolee for a minimum of one year and status has not expired
 - o Victim of Human Trafficking
 - T-Visa Holder: (T1, T2, T3, etc.)
 - o Cuban-Haitian entrant
- 3. have a valid Social Security number (with the exception of students from the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau);
- 4. be registered with Selective Service, if you are a male (you must register between the ages of 18 and 25);
- 5. be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a regular student in an eligible degree or certificate program;
- 6. be enrolled at least half-time to be eligible for Direct Loan Program funds; *Half-time enrollment is at least 12 clock hours per week.
- 7. maintain satisfactory academic progress;
- 8. sign the certification statement on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) stating that
 - you are not in default on a federal student loan and do not owe money on a federal student grant and
 - you will use federal student aid only for educational purposes; and
- 9. show you are qualified to obtain a college or career school education by
 - having a high school diploma or a recognized equivalent such as a General Educational Development (GED) certificate;

- completing a high school education in a homeschool setting approved under state law (or—if state law does not require a homeschooled student to obtain a completion credential—
 completing a high school education in a homeschool setting that qualifies as an exemption
 from compulsory attendance requirements under state law); or
- enrolling in an eligible career pathway program and meeting one of the "ability-to-benefit" alternatives. (Note: This institute does not accept ability-to-benefit students).

Each aid program may have additional requirements such as Expected Family Contribution (EFC), financial need, etc. Please refer to each program for specific information about eligibility.

Students With Criminal Convictions- If you are incarcerated, have a conviction for a drug offense, or are subject to an involuntary civil commitment after completing a period of incarceration for a sexual offense, your eligibility for federal student aid may be limited.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

As a financial aid applicant or recipient, you have certain rights and responsibilities. You should clearly understand them before you accept financial aid.

Student Rights

You have the right to:

- Obtain written information on loan obligations and information on your rights and responsibilities as a borrower;
- Obtain a copy of your Master Promissory Note (MPN) either before or at the time your loan is disbursed;
- Receive a grace period and explanation of what this means;
- Receive notification, if the Department transfers your loan to another servicer without your consent;
- Receive a disclosure statement, received before you begin to repay your loan, that includes information about interest rates, fees, balance owed, and a loan repayment schedule;
- Receive a deferment or forbearance of repayment for certain defined periods, if you qualify and if you request it;
- Ability to prepay your loan in whole or part anytime without an early-repayment penalty;
- Receive documentation when your loan is paid in full;
- Know what financial aid is available;
- Know the procedures and deadlines for financial aid, including when and how your aid will be disbursed;
- Know how your financial need is determined, including how cost of attendance budgets are developed;
- Know what resources are considered in the calculation of your financial need, and how much of your need as determined by Aveda Institute New York has been met;
- Explanation of types of aid contained in your financial aid award, as well as how to retain eligibility for those funds;
- Request a review of your current financial situation if you meet certain criteria based on changes since filing the current aid year FAFSA application;
- Know the criteria for continued financial aid eligibility, including Satisfactory Academic Progress;
- Know method and frequency of financial aid disbursements;
- Know the interest rate on any educational loan you have, the total amount you must repay, the length of the repayment period, when repayment begins and what cancellation or deferment provisions apply;
- Expect that your financial records, your parents' financial records, and your award information will be kept confidential in accordance with the Federal Education Right to Privacy Act (FERPA).

Student Responsibilities

You are responsible for:

• Repaying your loan according to the repayment schedule even if you do not complete the academic program, are dissatisfied with the education received, or unable to find employment;

- Notifying your lender or loan servicer if you (1) move or change your address; (2) change your telephone number; (3) change your name; (4) change your social security number; (5) change your employer or employer's address or telephone number;
- Make monthly payments on the loan after your grace period ends, unless you have a deferment or forbearance;
- Notifying your lender or loan servicer of anything that might alter your eligibility for an existing deferment or forbearance;
- Filing the appropriate applications and forms for each type of aid that you wish to receive by the established deadline and accurately. Falsification of information on application forms for federal financial assistance is considered a criminal offense;
- Reviewing and understanding the terms and conditions of your financial aid award;
- Providing all requested information to the Financial Aid Office accurately and promptly;
- Maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) (see catalog for institute's SAP policy);
- Reporting all financial assistance, such as scholarships, received from any outside source to the Financial Aid Office;
- Reporting any changes in your name, address or attendance status to Financial Aid Office;
- Repaying all student loans you receive. You must complete entrance counseling prior to receipt
 of your first Federal Direct Stafford Loan. Additionally, upon graduation, withdrawal or enrollment
 less than half-time you will also need to complete exit counseling;
- Understanding the withdrawal and refund policy of the institute. Please be aware that based upon the withdrawal date and refund calculation, the Financial Aid Office may need to return funds to the appropriate federal or state financial aid accounts. Unless instructed otherwise, you should never return funds directly to the federal or state governments, as we must do so for you according to the regulations;
- Complying with the federal rules governing your financial aid awards.

Criteria for Continued Eligibility

If you want to keep receiving federal student aid, you need to continue to meet the basic eligibility criteria stated above, make satisfactory academic progress (SAP policy), and complete the FAFSA every year. The institute's SAP is located in the institute's catalog. You could also lose aid if you default on a federal student loan or are convicted of a drug offense.

Award Notification

Aveda Institute New York awards financial aid once the FAFSA and any required documents are processed. Financial aid awards can be increased, decreased, or canceled at any time due to outside financial resources (e.g. scholarships), pending required documentation, corrections to FAFSAs, or enrollment adjustments. If aid is adjusted, you will receive an updated financial aid award letter, which will be delivered to you either in person or electronically.

Financial Aid Disbursements

Aveda Institute New York will disburse the proceeds of your federal financial aid by crediting it to your school account to pay tuition and fees, room and board, and other authorized charges. If the loan disbursement amount exceeds school charges, the remaining balance of the disbursement will be paid directly to you by check. You will be notified each time we disburse a portion of your loan. The notification will include: (1) expected date and amount of the loan disbursement; (2) right to cancel all or a portion of your loan.

Frequency of Disbursements

Disbursements are issued to the school and electronically transferred into the student's tuition account. Federal financial aid is disbursed in two increments – the first disbursement is made 30 days after the first day of school and the second disbursement is made half way through the program. Loans from other sources are disbursed according to New York State law. Aveda Institute New York requires students to bring their tuition accounts up to date at the time the funds are disbursed.

Entrance Counseling

Prior to the first disbursement of a Federal Direct Student Loan, all first-time student borrowers must complete Entrance Counseling. Parents taking out a Direct Plus Loan to help pay for their child's education expenses do not have to complete entrance counseling. Students must complete the session online at <u>www.studentloans.gov</u>. The process takes approximately 20-30 minutes. The Financial Aid Office verifies entrance counseling by visiting <u>www.cod.ed.gov</u>. It prints off the complete the session online, a member of the financial aid file prior to disbursement. If you are unable to complete the session online, a member of the financial aid team will review the Entrance Counseling brochure with the student. After reviewing the information, the student will complete the commitment page, and it will be added to the student's financial aid file.

Exit Counseling

Under federal regulations, a student Direct Loan borrower who is graduating, leaving school, or dropping below half-time enrollment is required to complete exit counseling. Parents who take out a Direct Plus loan do not need to complete exit counseling. The entire counseling process must be completed in a single session at <u>www.studentloans.gov</u>. Most people complete counseling in 20-30 minutes.

If a student graduates, leaves school, or drops below half-time enrollment, the institute advises them that they need complete exit counseling. The institute then verifies whether the student completed exit counseling by visiting <u>www.cod.ed.gov</u>. If a student completed the counseling, the institute saves a copy of the report in his or her file. For those students who did not complete the counseling within 30 days of graduating or dropping below half-time enrollment, the institute sends them an email to their personal email address with the above link stating that they are required to watch the counseling. It then saves a copy of the email in the student's file.

If a student drops without notifying the institute, the institute will first check the Department of Education report to see if the borrower completed his or her exit counseling. If the student did not, the institute will email within 30 days of learning that the borrower withdrew at his or her personal email address stating that the student needs to complete the counseling at <u>www.studentloans.gov</u>. If the student is on the report, the institute will save that as backup documentation, otherwise it will save a copy of the email.

Personal information collected for exit counseling must be given to students' loan servicer within 60 days. Students authorize their school to release information to lenders in the promissory note that they signed.

Disbursement for Books and Supplies

Aveda Institute New York must provide a way for a student who is eligible for federal aid to obtain or purchase by the seventh day of a payment period, the books and supplies, applicable to the term, if 10 days before the beginning of the term, the institute could disburse funds the student is eligible for and assuming the funds were disbursed, the student would have a credit balance. Aveda Institute New York meets this requirement as it posts a charge for the kit on all students' ledgers, but provides the kit to all students on the first day of class whether or not they have paid for it. If a student wishes to opt out of this procedure, he or she must contact a Financial Aid Counselor prior to the first day of class and complete an opt-out form. If the student opts out, he or she can purchase the kit directly from the institute via cash, check, or credit card. During the financial aid counseling process, the Financial Aid Counselors will explain to a student who qualifies for the funds advanced to purchase books and supplies how the method is handled and how a student may opt out.

Types of Federal Loans

Federal Pell Grant

A Federal Pell Grant, unlike a loan, does not need to be repaid, except under certain circumstances. Some reasons you might need to pay it back include (1) you withdrew early from the program for which the grant was given to you; (2) your enrollment status changed in a way that reduced your eligibility for your grant; and (3) you received outside scholarships or grants that reduced your need for federal student aid.

- Eligibility requirements- Federal Pell grants are usually awarded only to undergraduate students who have not earned a bachelor's or a professional degree. In some cases, however, a student enrolled in a postbaccalaureate teacher certification program might receive a Federal Pell Grant. You are not eligible to receive a Federal Pell grant if you are incarcerated in a federal or state penal institution or are subject to an involuntary civil commitment upon completion of a period of incarceration for a forcible or nonforcible sexual offense.
- Criteria for determining amount of student's aid- The amount a student receives depends on (1) financial need; (2) cost of attendance; (3) status as a full-time or part-time student; and (4) plans to attend school for a full academic year or less.
- Award Amount- For the 2016-17 award year (July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017), the maximum award is \$5,815. For the 2017-2018 award year (July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018), maximum award is \$5,920. You may not receive Federal Pell Grant funds from more than one school at a time.

William D. Ford Direct Stafford Loans

Loans made through this program are referred to as Direct Loans, because eligible students and parents borrow directly from the United States Department of Education. You must be enrolled at least as a half-time student to be eligible for a loan. There are three types of loans in this program:

Direct Subsidized Loans

- Eligibility Requirements- These loans are available to undergraduate students with financial need. You need to be enrolled at least half-time. If you are a first-time borrower, you may not receive Direct Subsidized Loans for more than 150% of the published length of your program. If it is your first time receiving a loan, you will be required to complete entrance counseling and sign a Master Promissory Note, agreeing to the terms of the loan.
- Criteria for determining amount of student's aid and award amount- The actual loan amount you are eligible to receive is determined by Aveda Institute New York and is based on academic year, grade level, whether you are dependent or independent, and other factors such as (1) length of program; (2) cost of attendance; (3) Expected Family Contribution; (4) other aid you receive; and (5) your remaining eligibility under the annual and aggregate loan limits. Your annual loan limit will include both Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans you receive for the same academic year period.
- Interest Rate- The U.S. Department of Education pays the interest on a Direct Subsidized Loan (1) while you are in school at least half-time; (2) for the first six months after you leave school (referred to as a grace period); and (3) during a period of deferment (a postponement of loan payments). For loans disbursed on or after 7/1/16 and before 7/1/17, the interest rate is 3.76%. For loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2017 and before July 1, 2018, the interest rate is 4.45%. The interest rate is fixed for the life of the loan.
- Origination Fee- There is an origination fee of 1.069 for loans first disbursed on or after October 1, 2016 and before October 1, 2017. The origination fee is 1.066% for loans first disbursed on or after October 1, 2017 and before October 1, 2018.
- **Paying back your Loan-** After you graduate, leave school, or drop below half-time enrollment, you will have a six month grace period before you are required to begin repayment. During this period, you will receive repayment information from your loan servicer, and you will be notified of your first payment due date.

Direct Unsubsidized Loans

• Eligibility Requirements- These loans are available to undergraduate and graduate students, and there is no requirement to demonstrate financial need. You need to be enrolled at least half-

time. If it is your first time receiving a loan, you will be required to complete entrance counseling and sign a Master Promissory Note, agreeing to the terms of the loan.

- Criteria for determining amount of student's aid and award amount- The actual loan amount you are eligible to receive is determined by Aveda Institute New York and is based on academic year, grade level, whether you are dependent or independent, and other factors such as (1) length of program; (2) cost of attendance; (3) other aid you receive; and (4) your remaining eligibility under the annual and aggregate loan limits.
- Interest Rate- You are responsible for paying the interest on this type of loan during all periods. If you choose not to pay the interest while you are in school and during grace periods and deferment or forbearance periods, your interest will accrue and be capitalized. For loans disbursed on or after 7/1/16 and before 7/1/17, the interest rate is 3.76%. For loans disbursed on or after 7/1/17, the interest rate is 4.45%. The interest rate is fixed for the life of the loan.
- **Origination Fee-** There is an origination fee of 1.069 for loans first disbursed on or after October 1, 2016 and before October 1, 2017. The origination fee is 1.066% for loans first disbursed on or after October 1, 2017 and before October 1, 2018.
- **Paying back your Loan-** After you graduate, leave school, or drop below half-time enrollment, you will have a six month grace period before you are required to begin repayment. During this period, you will receive repayment information from your loan servicer, and you will be notified of your first payment due date.

Direct Plus Loan

- Eligibility Requirements- To receive a Direct Plus loan, you must be (1) a parent (biological, adoptive, or in some cases, a stepparent) of a dependent undergraduate student enrolled at least half-time at an eligible school; and (2) not have an adverse credit history. If you have an adverse credit history, you may still receive a Direct Plus Loan if you obtain an endorser or if you document to the U.S. Department of Education's satisfaction that there are extenuating circumstances related to your adverse credit history. An endorser is someone who does not have an adverse credit history, but you manage to qualify for a Direct Plus Loan if you do not. If you have an adverse credit history, but you manage to qualify for a Direct Plus Loan by obtaining an endorser or by providing satisfactory documentation of extenuating circumstances, you must complete special Direct PLUS Loan counseling before you can receive the loan. If you are eligible for a Direct PLUS Loan, you will be required to sign a Direct PLUS Loan *Master Promissory Note* (MPN), agreeing to the terms of the loan.
- Criteria for determining amount of student's aid and award amount- The maximum PLUS loan amount you can borrow is the cost of attendance (determined by the school) minus any other financial assistance received.
- Interest Rate- During any period when you are not required to make payments, interest will accrue on your loan. You may choose to pay the accrued interest or allow the interest to be capitalized (added to your loan principal balance) when you have to start making payments. Your loan servicer will notify you when your first payment is due. For Direct Plus Loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2016 and before July 1, 2017, the interest rate is 6.31%. For Direct Plus Loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2017 and before July 1, 2018, the interest rate is 7%. These are fixed interest rates for the life of the loan.
- Origination Fee- The loan fee is a percentage of the loan amount and is proportionately deducted from each loan disbursement. The percentage varies depending on when the loan is first disbursed. For loans first disbursed on or after October 1, 2016 and before October 1, 2017 the fee is 4.276%. For loans first disbursed on or after October 1, 2017 and before October 1, 2018 the fee is 4.264%.
- **Maximum Award-** The maximum PLUS loan amount you can borrow is the cost of attendance (determined by the school) minus any other financial assistance received.
- **Paying back your Loan-** The borrower will be expected to start making payments once the loan is fully disbursed (paid out). However, a borrower may request a deferment while the child is enrolled at least half-time and for an additional six months after the child graduates, leaves school, or drops below half-time enrollment. You do not have to make payments while your loan

is deferred.

- **Responsibility cannot be transferred to child-** A Direct Plus Loan made to a parent cannot be transferred to the child.
- Affects other types of aid- A Direct Plus Loan can affect your eligibility for other financial aid. Before applying for a Direct Plus Loan, ask your school's financial aid office about federal grants, state and private grants and scholarships, and Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans.

Loan Limits in Direct Loan Program

For Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans, there are limits on the maximum amount you may borrow for an academic year (annual loan limits) and the maximum amount you may borrow in total for undergraduate and graduate study (aggregate loan limits). Your annual loan limit will include both Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans you receive for the same academic year period.

Direct Plus Loans do not have fixed limits. You can borrow up to the cost of attendance at the school you are attending, minus all other financial assistance you receive. Your school will determine the actual Direct Plus Loan amount that you are eligible to receive.

Loan Limits in the Direct Loan Program						
Academic Year	Dependent Students (except students whose parents are un- able to obtain PLUS Loans)	Independent Students (and dependent undergraduate students whose parents are unable to obtain PLUS Loans)				
First-Year Undergraduate Annual Loan Limit	\$5,500—No more than \$3,500 of this amount may be in subsidized loans.	\$9,500—No more than \$3,500 of this amount may be in subsidized loans.				
Second-Year Undergraduate Annual Loan Limit	\$6,500—No more than \$4,500 of this amount may be in subsidized loans.	\$10,500—No more than \$4,500 of this amount may be in subsidized loans.				
Third-Year-and-Beyond the Undergraduate Annual Loan Limit	\$7,500 per year—No more than \$5,500 of this amount may be in subsidized loans.	\$12,500—No more than \$5,500 of this amount may be in subsidized loans.				
Graduate or Professional Student ¹ Annual Loan Limit	Not applicable	\$20,500 (unsubsidized loans only)				
Subsidized and Unsubsidized Aggregate Loan Limit	\$31,000—No more than \$23,000 of this amount may be in subsidized loans.	\$57,500 for undergraduates— No more than \$23,000 of this amount may be in subsidized loans.				
		\$138,500 for graduate or pro- fessional students—No more than \$65,500 of this amount may be in subsidized loans. The graduate aggregate limit in- cludes all federal loans received for undergraduate study.				

¹All students enrolled in graduate and professional degree programs are considered independent.

Direct Loan Repayment Plans

You repay your loan according to the repayment plan that you choose through your loan servicer. The repayment plan you choose determines the amount you pay each month and the number of payments you must make.

Re	Repayment Plan Options for Direct Loans							
Repayment Plans	Eligible Loans	Monthly Payment and Time Frame	Eligibility and Other Information					
	Traditional Repayment Plans							
Standard Repayment Plan	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans All Direct PLUS Loans All Direct Consolidation Loans	Payments are a fixed amount. Up to 10 years (up to 30 years for Consolidation Loans)	All borrowers are eligible for this plan. You'll pay less over time than under other plans.					
Graduated Repayment Plan	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans All Direct PLUS Loans All Direct Consolidation Loans	Payments are lower at first and then increase, usually every two years. Up to 10 years (up to 30 years for Consolidation Loans)	All borrowers are eligible for this plan. You'll pay more over time than under the 10-year Standard Plan.					
Extended Repayment Plan	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans All Direct PLUS Loans All Direct Consolidation Loans	Payments may be fixed or graduated. Up to 25 years	If you're a Direct Loan borrower, you must have more than \$30,000 in outstanding Direct Loans. Your monthly payments will be lower than under the 10-year Standard Plan or the Graduated Repayment Plan. You'll pay more over time than under the 10-year Standard Plan.					

*Consolidating your Loans- If you have multiple federal student loans, you can consolidate them into a single Direct Consolidation Loan. This may simplify repayment if you are currently making separate loan payments to different loan holders or servicers, as you will have only one monthly payment to make. There may be tradeoffs, however, so you will want to learn about the advantages and possible disadvantages before you consolidate.

Income Driven Repayment Plans

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If your federal student loan payments are high compared to your income, you may want to repay your loans under an income-drive repayment plan. If you want to repay your federal loans under an income-drive plan, you need to complete an application.

Income-Driven Repayment Plan Options for Direct Loans								
Repayment Plans	Eligible Loans	Monthly Payment and Time Frame	Eligibility and Other Information					
Income-Driven Repayment Plans								
Revised Pay As You Earn Repayment Plan (REPAYE)	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans Direct PLUS Loans made to students Direct Consolidation Loans that do not include Direct PLUS Loans made to parents	Your monthly payments will be 10 percent of your discretionary income. Payments are recalculated each year and are based on your updated income and family size. If you're married, both your and your spouse's income or loan debt will be considered, whether taxes are filed jointly or separately (with limited exceptions).	Any Direct Loan borrower with an eligible loan type may choose this plan. Your monthly payment can be more than the 10-year Standard Plan amount. You may have to pay income tax on any amount that is forgiven. A good option for those seeking Public Service					
		Any outstanding balance on your loan will be forgiven if you haven't repaid your loan in full after 20 or 25 years.	Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)					
Pay As You Earn Repayment Plan (PAYE)	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans Direct PLUS Loans made to students Direct Consolidation Loans that do not include Direct PLUS Loans made to parents	Your maximum monthly payments will be 10 percent of your discretionary income. Payments are recalculated each year and are based on your updated income and family size. If you're married, your spouse's income or loan debt will be considered only if you file a joint tax return. Any outstanding balance on your loan will be forgiven if you haven't repaid your loan in full after 20 years.	You must be a new bor- rower on or after October 1, 2007, and must have received a disbursement of a Direct Loan on or after October 1, 2011. You must have a high debt relative to your income. Your monthly payment will never be more than the 10-year Standard Plan amount. You'll pay more over time than under the 10-year Standard Plan. You may have to pay income tax on any amount that is forgiven. A good option for those seeking Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)					

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Repayment Plans	Eligible Loans	Monthly Payment and Time Frame	Eligibility and Other Information				
	Income-Di	riven Repayment Plan	s				
Income-Based Repayment Plan (IBR)	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans Subsidized and Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans All PLUS Loans made to students Direct Consolidation Loans that do not include Direct or FFEL PLUS Loans made to parents	Your monthly payments will be 10 or 15 percent of your discretionary income. Payments are recalculated each year and are based on your updated income and family size. If you're married, your spouse's income or loan debt will be considered only if you file a joint tax return. Any outstanding balance on your loan will be forgiven if you haven't repaid your loan in full after 20 or 25 years.	You must have a high debt relative to your income. Your monthly payment will never be more than the 10-year Standard Plan amount. You'll pay more over time than under the 10-year Standard Plan. A good option for those seeking Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) You may have to pay income tax on any amount that is forgiven.				
Income- Contingent Repayment Plan (ICR)	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans Direct PLUS Loans made to students Direct Consolidation Loans	Your monthly payment will be the lesser of 20 percent of your discretionary income, or the amount you would pay on a repayment plan with a fixed payment over 12 years, adjusted according to your income. Payments are recalculated each year and are based on your updated income, family size, and the total amount of your Direct Loans. If you're married, your spouse's income or loan debt will be considered only if you file a joint tax return or you choose to repay your Direct Loans jointly with your spouse. Any outstanding balance will be forgiven if you haven't repaid your loan in full after 25 years.	Any Direct Loan borrower with an eligible loan type may choose this plan. Your monthly payment can be more than the 10-year Standard Plan amount. You may have to pay income tax on any amount that is forgiven. A good option for those seeking Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Parent borrowers can access this plan by consolidating their Parent PLUS Loans into a Direct Consolidation Loan.				

Estimated Monthly Payments for Direct Loans (by Repayment Plan and Debt When Your Loan Enters Repayment)								
Non-Consolidation Borrowers ¹								
Debt When	Star	ndard		ended xed		nded luated	Grad	uated
Loan Enters Repayment	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total
\$5,000	\$58	\$6,904	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$40	\$7,275
10,000	115	13,809	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	79	14,550
25,000	288	34,524	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	198	36,375
50,000	575	69,048	347	104,109	284	112,678	396	72,749
100,000	1,151	138,096	694	208,217	568	225,344	792	145,498

Debt When	Income Contingent ² Income = \$25,000			Income-Based ² Income = \$25,000)	
Loan Enters	Si	ngle	Marrie	ed/HOH ³	Si	ngle	Marrie	d/HOH ³
Repayment	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total
\$5,000	\$37	\$8,347	\$36	\$11,088	N/A	N/A	\$39	\$8,005
10,000	75	16,699	71	22,158	110	13,672	39	16,081
25,000	186	41,748	178	55,440	110	45,014	39	60,754
50,000	247	93,322	189	122,083	110	109,623	39	92,704
100,000	247	187,553	189	170,153	110	118,058	39	97,020

Consolidation Borrowers ⁴								
Debt When Loan Enters	Star	tandard		ended xed		nded uated	Grad	luated
Repayment	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total
\$5,000	\$61	\$7,359	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$38	\$7,978
10,000	97	17,461	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	69	19,165
25,000	213	51,123	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	172	55,491
50,000	394	118,264	394	118,264	344	126,834	344	126,834
100,000	751	270,452	788	236,528	688	253,660	688	286,305

Debt When	Income Contingent ² Income = \$25,000				Income-Based ² Income = \$25,000			
Loan Enters	Si	ngle	Marrie	ed/HOH ³	Si	ngle	Marrie	d/HOH ³
Repayment	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total	Per Month	Total
\$5,000	\$40	\$9,414	\$38	\$12,294	N/A	N/A	\$39	\$7,818
10,000	80	18,828	77	24,587	110	17,638	39	22,414
25,000	201	47,069	189	61,588	110	59,451	39	52,725
50,000	247	106,630	189	137,766	110	91,388	39	78,816
100,000	247	187,553	189	170,153	110	117,343	39	97,020

¹ Payments were calculated using a fixed interest rate of 6.8% for Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans disbursed on or after July 1, 2006.

² Assumes a 5 percent annual income growth (Census Bureau)

³ HOH is Head of Household. Assumes a family size of two.

⁴ Payments are calculated using the maximum interest rate for consolidation loans, 8.25%.

Necessity of Repaying Loans

Repayment of your Direct Loans is a serious financial obligation. When you make your payments on time, you begin establishing a credit history that will affect your future eligibility to obtain loans for the purchase of a car or home. When you apply for a job, employers often use credit history as a way to measure how you meet your responsibilities and your ability to establish and stick to a plan. Falling behind on a Direct Loan payment can have serious consequences:

- Your Direct Loan becomes delinquent the first day after you miss a payment that is due.
- If a Direct Loan is delinquent for 270 days, it goes into default.
- Loans on which payments are delinquent and in default are reported to national crediting agencies.

Consequences for Allowing Loan to become Delinquent

Federal Aid

- You will lose your eligibility for loan deferments and forbearances, and your eligibility to choose from among the available repayment plans.
- You will not be eligible for additional federal student aid if you return to school.

Career and Future Income

- You may be required to immediately pay the entire unpaid amount of your loan. This process is known as acceleration.
- You may not be eligible for certain types of employment.
- Your loans may be turned over to a collection agency, and you will have to pay additional charges, late fees, and collection costs.
- You may have part of your income withheld by the federal government. This is known as wage garnishment.
- Your federal and state income tax refunds may be withheld and applied to your debt. This is known as tax offset.

Credit Rating

- Your credit score will be damaged.
- Your may have difficulty qualifying for credit cards, car loans, or mortgages and will be charged higher interest rates.
- You may have difficulty signing up for utilities, getting car or homeowner's insurance, or getting a cell phone plan.
- You may have difficulty getting approval to rent an apartment.

II. State Grant Programs

Below is a link with information on state grant programs.

https://www.nasfaa.org/State_Financial_Aid_Programs

III. New York Adult Career and Continuing Education Services - Vocational Rehabilitation (ACCES-VR)

Aveda Institute New York participates in the training of eligible students through the ACCES-VR Program.

- Eligibility Requirements- To be eligible for ACCESS-VR, you must have (1) a disability that interferes with getting or keeping a job; (2) be able to benefit from vocational rehabilitation services; and (3) need vocational rehabilitation services to get, keep, or advance your job. If you provide proof you receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) that is based on SSA determination of your disability, ACCESS-VR will assume that you are eligible for vocational rehabilitation services.
- **Application Process-** To apply, you will need to complete an Application for Services VR-04 and submit it to your District Office. After your application is submitted a vocational rehabilitation counselor will meet with you to begin the process.
- Award Amount- ACCES-VR does not charge for any VR services, which includes tuition, related fees, and required textbooks. Funding for some services is based on you or your family's financial need. If you have income and/or assets, you may be asked to contribute to the cost. You will also be asked to apply for all available benefits that may help reduce the cost of the service.
- **Disbursement-** Disbursements are issued to the school and transferred into the student's tuition account upon receipt. ACCESS-VR determines when to disburse the funds to the institute.

IV. Other Sources of Federal Financial Aid

A. Scholarships

Aveda Institute New York Scholarship- It is up to Aveda Institute New York's discretion to develop and provide internal scholarship opportunities for any of its programs, start dates, and/or schedules. Any internal scholarship opportunities will be communicated to all existing enrolled and prospective students, who meet the qualifications to apply.

Private Scholarships- A number of organizations and corporations offer scholarships. Check with your employer or parents' employers for available scholarship programs.

B. Private Loans

Aveda Institute New York Private Loan

Before applying for an Aveda Institute New York private loan, a student must first apply for and, if granted, accept all forms of other financial aid available to them, including federal, state, and other private loans. You may qualify for loans or other financial assistance under Title IV of the Higher Education Opportunity Act. The terms and conditions of Title IV program loans may be more favorable than the provisions of private education loans. Visit the Department of Education's website for more information about federal loan programs:

<u>www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov</u>. Please contact Aveda Institute New York's financial aid office if you need assistance in applying for financial aid.

Student Eligibility Requirements

A student is eligible for an Aveda Institute New York private loan only if the student satisfies each of the following criteria:

- 1. The student has applied for and, if granted, accepted all other forms of financial aid available to them;
- 2. The student is not currently in default with any federal, state, or other loans;
- 3. The student has applied for and was denied a private loan from another lender;
- 4. The student is able to make the minimum required payment of at least \$100.00 per month.

How to Apply

To learn more and apply for an Aveda Institute New York private loan, contact Aveda Institute New York's financial aid office to complete an application and self-certification form. The financial aid office will supply the information required to complete the self-certification form.

Private Loan Terms

Loan Amount – An eligible student will be able to apply for an Aveda Institute New York private loan in an amount up to the lesser of: (1) the remaining tuition due after subtracting all other forms of financial assistance, including federal, state, and other private loans and grants; or (2) \$9,999.99. If the loan is approved and the student accepts the loan, the funds will be disbursed directly to Aveda Institute New York and applied to the student's tuition balance after the expiration of the student's right to cancel the loan. Contact the financial aid office or see the disclosures provided with each loan for additional details.

Interest Rate – The loan will accrue interest at a rate of zero percent (0%) while the student is actively enrolled at Aveda Institute New York. The loan will accrue interest at a rate of seven percent (7%) when the student is no longer actively enrolled in classes at Aveda Institute New York.

<u>Payment Terms</u> – The loan term (*i.e.*, length) will depend on the length of the Aveda Institute New York program in which the student is enrolled, but in no event will the loan term exceed five (5) years starting from the date the loan is disbursed. The student will be required to make at least \$100.00 minimum monthly payments during enrollment at Aveda Institute New York.

Sample Loan Repayment Schedule

The following is a sample repayment schedule for a loan of \$5,000.00 with a total term of fortyeight (48) months, assuming the student pays only the minimum \$100.00 monthly payment while enrolled at Aveda Institute New York for one (1) calendar year:

Number of payments	Amount of each payment	Payments are due monthly, the same day of each month beginning:	APR %
12	\$\$100.00	5/7/2017	0.00 %
36	\$\$117.33	5/7/2018	7.00 %
	\$		%
	\$		%

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Default – A student who borrows an Aveda Institute New York private loan must repay the loan in accordance with the terms and conditions of the loan contract signed by the student. In addition to other terms and conditions found in the loan contracts, if the student fails to timely make any payments on time, the loan will be in default. There is no pre-payment penalty or pre-payment fee if the student chooses to pay off the loan early.

Third Party Private Loans

If you wish to borrow from another private loan lender you can also do so. Aveda Institute New York does not have a preferred-lender listing for private loans. We recognize that you have many choices when considering a private loan; therefore, we have provided a historical listing of lenders that Aveda Institute New York students have utilized in the past three to five prior years in the link below. The order of lenders in the list is alphabetical and does not infer preference for a particular lender. Aveda Institute New York does not endorse any lender. You may choose any private loan lender you prefer whether or not they are on the list below. You may choose a lender that best meets your needs and requirements. In addition to the list below, you can use general Internet search engines to look for private loans. Federal loan borrowing is always encouraged first.

https://choice.fastproducts.org/FastChoice/home/2123200/2

C. Veteran's Education Benefits

Eligibility

The GI Bill Comparison tool is an online VA tool that allows you to learn about education programs and compare estimated benefits by school. Here is a link to the tool: https://www.vets.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool. You can also use the chart below to compare the education benefits available through the following programs:

- The Post-9/11 GI Bill
- Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty (MGIB-AD)
- Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR)
- Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP)
- Veterans Educational Assistance Program (VEAP)
- Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (DEA)

	Post-9/11 GI Bill	MGIB-AD	MGIB-SR	VEAP	DEA
Minimum Length of Service	90 days active aggregate service (after 9/10/01) or 30 days continuous if discharged for disability	2 yr. continuous enilistment (minimum duty varies by service date, branch, etc.)	6 yr. commitment (after 6/30/85)	181 continuous days active service (between 12/31/76 and 7/1/85)1	Not applicable
Maximum # of Months of Benefits 2	36	36	36	36	45
How Payments Are Made	Tuition: Paid to school Housing stipend: Paid monthly to student Books & Supplies: Paid to student at the beginning of the term	Paid to student	Paid to student	Paid to student	Paid to student
Duration of Benefits	Generally 15 years from last day of active duty	Generally 10 years from last day of active duty	Ends the day you leave Selected Reserve	10 yrs from last day of active duty	Spouse: 10 - 20 years 3 Child: Ages 18- 26

Application Process

Students eligible for Veteran Education benefits may be able to use these funds to help finance their education. You can apply online at www.gibill.va.gov. You can also visit your nearest VA regional office to apply in person, or call 1-888-GI BILL-1 (888-442-4551) to have the application mailed to you. The

institute's VA Certifying Official also has application forms and can help you apply. Please bring your certificate of eligibility to the financial aid office to begin enrollment certification with the VA.

D. Segal Americorps Education Award

Eligibility

You are eligible for a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award if you successfully complete a term of service with one of the following approved AmeriCorps programs in accordance with your member contract:

- AmeriCorps State and National Program
- AmeriCorps VISTA Program
- AmeriCorps NCCC Program

There are limitations on both the number of terms an individual can serve in each of the three programs and limits on the value of education awards a person can receive. A member serving in a full-time term of service is required to complete the service within 12 months. An education award can be used to repay qualified student loans and to pay for current educational expenses at eligible educational institutions. Additionally, for members who successfully complete their terms of service, the CNCS will pay all or a portion of the interest that accrued on their qualified student loans while they were serving. These interest payments are a benefit in addition to their education awards and are not subtracted from their education award balances.

Application Process

To access and manage the award, register online at https://my.americorps.gov/mp/login.do. You can check award balances, access important financial information, request forbearance, and make payments to your educational institution or loan holder.

Award Amount

The amount of a full-time education award is equivalent to the maximum value of the Pell Grant for the award year in which the term of national service is approved. Prior to fiscal year 2010, the amount of an education award had remained the same since the AmeriCorps program began.

The amount of the Pell Grant can change every year. Therefore, the amount of a full-time award can change in the future. However, once a member earns an award, the dollar value of that particular award will not increase. For all programs, award amounts for part-time terms of service vary based upon the length of the required term of service. As a reference, here is a chart that shows the amounts of education awards for various types of national service positions that are approved (effective) in fiscal year 2017, which begins October 1, 2016.

SEGAL EDUCATION AWARD AMOUNTS Effective October 1, 2016						
Participation Type	Minimum # of Hours	Amount				
Full-Time	1,700	\$ 5,815.00				
Half-Time	900	\$ 2,907.50				
Reduced Half-Time	675	\$ 2,215.24				
Quarter-Time	450	\$ 1,538.36				
Minimal-Time & Summer Associate	300	\$ 1,230.69				

Members should check with their programs or project sponsors to confirm the amount of the awards for which they are eligible.

Special Option for VISTA Members

As an alternative to the Segal AmeriCorps Education Award, AmeriCorps VISTA members may choose to receive a post-service cash stipend at the end of their service. VISTA alumni who chose the stipend may also be eligible for up to 15% cancelation on certain types of loans for their service. AmeriCorps VISTA members who choose to receive an education award for their service are not eligible to receive this cancelation; only those members who elect the cash stipend.

You can contact the U.S. Department of Education's Federal Student Aid Information Center to determine what student loans may be eligible for this type of cancelation and to receive forms. Their toll-free number is 1 (800) 433-3243.

Limits on the Number of Terms You Can Serve

Currently, the maximum numbers of terms that an individual can serve in each AmeriCorps program are:

- four terms for AmeriCorps State and National programs
- five one-year terms for VISTA programs
- two terms for NCCC programs

For AmeriCorps State and National programs, each term of service for which an individual earned any education award counts as one term of service in computing the limits on the term limitations. This includes terms for which a member earned a full-time, half-time, and any other type of part-time or prorated education award. A pro-rated education award is an award that may be earned when an individual, for reasons beyond his or her control, cannot complete the entire service period. Generally, if you are released for cause before completing your term of service and do not receive an education award that term counts as one of your terms served.

Limit on the Value of Education Awards You Can Receive

There is a limit on the value of education awards that an individual is allowed to receive. The "value" of an education award is distinct from the dollar "amount" of an award. By law, an individual may not receive more than the aggregate (or total) value of two full time education awards.

The value of an education award refers to the service opportunity offered by a particular term of service, such as full-time, half-time, and summer terms of service. As examples, the value of a full-time award is always "1.0"; the value of a half-time award is always "0.5". While the dollar amount of an award for a particular term of service may change over time, the value of that award remains constant. The value of every education award received is calculated by taking the actual amount of the education award received for the service and dividing it by the amount of a full-time award in the fiscal year in which the national service position was approved.

Current and former AmeriCorps members can keep track of the value of education awards they have received through their accounts in the online system, My AmeriCorps. In their accounts, each award they have earned shows both the award amount and the award value.

Education Award Payments

You have seven years to use the education award from the date of your completion of AmeriCorps service. You can divide up your award and use portions of it at different times, as long as it is for authorized expenditures within the specified time period. You could, for example, apply a portion of it to existing qualified student loans, and save the remainder to pay for authorized college costs a few years down the road.

The Trust cannot make payments to anyone other than eligible schools and qualified loan holders. If you withdraw from the school where you have used the education award, the school may be required to refund the Trust. If any refund is owed, it is credited to your education award account, and is subject to the award's original expiration date (seven years from the date the award was earned). For general information on how withdrawing from school may affect your student financial aid, ask your financial aid counselor or refer to the U.S. Department of Education's Federal Student Aid website at https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/.

Under certain circumstances, you can use the education award to study outside the U.S. You may contact the National Service Hotline at 1-800-942-2677 if you have questions.

Award Transfers

The Serve America Act allows for the transfer of AmeriCorps State and National and Silver Service education awards under specific conditions which are stated in the Act. The individuals who have earned the awards have to have been at least 55 years old when they began their terms of service and each person to whom an award is transferred has to be the transferring individual's child (including step-child), grandchild (including step-grandchild), or foster child.

Each award can be transferred only once. The entire unspent balance can be transferred or a portion of the balance can be transferred.

To transfer an award, an individual must:

- have earned an education award in an AmeriCorps State and National or a Silver Scholar term of service;
- have been at least 55 years of age before beginning the term of service for the subject award;
- have begun this term of service on or after October 1, 2009;
- transfer the award before the original expiration date;
- designate all or a portion of the unused award for the transfer; and
- complete the forms authorizing the transfer, which includes providing information and certifying eligibility to make the transfer.

Taxes

The IRS has determined that payments made from an education award are considered to be included in a member's taxable income in the year the payment is made to the school or loan holder. Interest payments are also considered taxable income. This increase in your income could affect your tax liability for that year.

Frequency of Disbursements

By law, education award payments are made directly to the educational institution or loan holder, not to the individual. Payments for current educational expenses must be made in two installments—one at the beginning of the enrollment period upon which the payment is based and the second at the midpoint of thse enrollment period.