



Generation Debt: Erasing Student Loans and Debt

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Problems with your loan servicer

- ▶ Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)
 - ▶ If you have been the victim of a student loan debt relief scam or if you are getting the runaround from your loan servicer, submit a complaint online or call the CFPB.
 - ▶ Google: CFPB and student loan complaint
 - ▶ 855.411.2372

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Resources

- ▶ www.studentloans.gov 1.800.557.7394
- ▶ www.ctamemberbenefits.org/studentloan
- ▶ Sean Mabey smabey@neamb.com

The screenshot shows the 'Federal Student Aid' website with a navigation menu and a list of links under 'Student Loan Forgiveness'. The links include: CTA Federal Student Loan Forgiveness Video, Guide to Federal Student Loan Forgiveness Programs (NEWS), National Education Article (September 2016), Are you Eligible for Student Loan Forgiveness? (NEA MB Article), Generation Debt: Erasing Student Loans and Debt (NEA MB PowerPoint - August 2016), Do You Know - Student Loan Forgiveness, Listing of Teacher Shortage Areas Nationwide, Federal Student Aid - Public Service Loan Forgiveness, Public Service Loan Forgiveness Application, Your Federal Student Loans: Learn the Basics and Manage Your Debt, Eligible Schools - Teacher Cancellation Loan Income Directory, and The Loan Forgiveness Application for Stafford Loans.

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Definitions:

- ▶ **Student Loan Glossary:**
 - ▶ <http://studentaid.ed.gov/glossary>
- ▶ **Subsidized loans:** the federal government covered the interest payments for you while you were in school.
- ▶ **Grace period:** six months after graduating before having to pay back student loans
- ▶ **Deferment:** you get to delay payment until a later date (still have to pay it). Your loan will not accrue any interest.
- ▶ **Forbearance:** try for this if you are denied a deferment. It is up to the lender to grant the request, however, interest on the loan will continue to accrue.
 - ▶ For both the deferment and forbearance, you will need to contact the lender to find out if you qualify.

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Disclaimer

- ▶ The loan forgiveness programs discussed in this PowerPoint presentation are an overview of the eligibility requirements. Contact your loan servicer with any questions you have regarding your eligibility as loan forgiveness programs are complicated.

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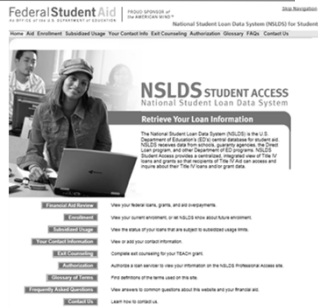
What loans are we talking about?

- ▶ As with all things financial, student loans are **highly** personal. Thus, you will want to contact your lender to ensure that you are meeting the terms of your loan.
- ▶ For the purpose of this presentation:
 - ▶ Federal or Stafford Loans
 - ▶ Federal Perkins Loans
 - ▶ Public Service Loan Forgiveness

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You have graduated from University ...now what?

- ▶ Locate your paperwork at National Student Loan Data System for Students: www.nsls.ed.gov/



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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program * Stafford Loan

- ▶ General Requirements:
 - ▶ Receive a Stafford Loan through the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program

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https://www.nsls.ed.gov/nsls/nsls_SA/secure/SaFinShowSummary.do

Line	Loan Type	Origination Date	Original Amount	Outstanding Balance	Interest	Unsubsidized	Subsidized
12	STAFFORD UNSUBSIDIZED	08/09/2006	\$3,380	\$0	\$3,380	\$462	\$0
13	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	05/02/2006	\$2,700	\$0	\$2,700	\$2,891	\$117
14	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	01/12/2006	\$4,794	\$0	\$4,794	\$0	\$207
15	FFEL CONSOLIDATED	06/26/1995	\$19,699	\$0	\$19,699	\$0	\$85,540
16	SUPPLEMENTAL LOAN (SL)	12/14/1993	\$1,643	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
17	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	08/09/1993	\$5,500	\$0	\$5,500	\$0	\$0
18	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	11/09/1992	\$2,571	\$0	\$2,571	\$0	\$0
19	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	11/15/1991	\$2,487	\$0	\$2,487	\$0	\$0
20	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	10/11/1990	\$1,692	\$1,692	\$0	\$0	\$0
21	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	09/05/1989	\$1,820	\$0	\$1,820	\$0	\$0
22	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	04/05/1989	\$598	\$0	\$598	\$0	\$0
23	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	04/05/1989	\$676	\$0	\$676	\$0	\$0
24	FEDERAL PERKINS	08/24/1988	\$1,900	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
25	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED	06/24/1987	\$1,949	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	DIRECT STAFFORD UNSUBSIDIZED					\$7,214	\$931
Total	STAFFORD UNSUBSIDIZED					\$8,469	\$1,093
Total	STAFFORD SUBSIDIZED					\$31,788	\$3,197
Total	FFEL CONSOLIDATED					\$85,540	\$18,029
Total	SUPPLEMENTAL LOAN (SL)					\$0	\$0
Total	FEDERAL PERKINS					\$0	\$0
Total All Loans						\$133,011	\$23,250

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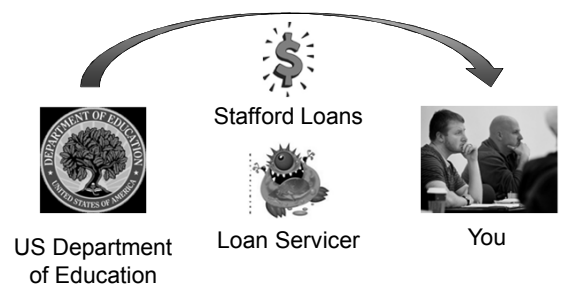
- ▶ General Requirements:
 - ▶ You are a new borrower (no outstanding balance on an FFEL before October 1, 1998)

We have reviewed your Teacher Loan Forgiveness (TLF) application and are unable to approve your request based on the following condition(s):

INELIGIBLE The requirements state you must be a new borrower as of 10/01/1998 to qualify. You had an outstanding balance owed on a FFELP or FDLP loan as of 10/01/1998 or used a consolidation loan to pay off your older loans. Therefore you are not eligible for forgiveness. See the first bullet in Section 10 for the formal details.

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How did I get these loans?



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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program * Stafford Loan

- ▶ General Requirements:
 - ▶ You have been employed for at least five consecutive years in an elementary or secondary school designated as a low-income school

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ How do I find out if my school is designated as a low-income school?
 - ▶ Call 1-800-4-FED-AID
 - ▶ <https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/tcliDirectorySearch.action>
 - ▶ GOOGLE: Teacher Cancellation Low Income Directory
 - ▶ State: Identify your state
 - ▶ Year: Identify the school year you want to check eligibility
 - ▶ School or Education Service Agency Name: LEAVE BLANK
 - ▶ Location: List the SCHOOL DISTRICT
 - ▶ Click BLUE Search button
 - ▶ DO THIS FOR FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS TO SEE IF YOUR SCHOOL QUALIFIES

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ General Requirements:
 - ▶ **At least one of your five years of qualifying teaching service must be after the 1997-98 academic year**

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ General Requirements:
 - ▶ **You are not in default on the loan for which you are seeking forgiveness**

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ General Requirements:
 - ▶ **You received the loan for which you are requesting forgiveness before the end of your fifth year of qualifying teaching**

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ General Requirements:
 - ▶ **You have not received a benefit for the same teaching service through the AmeriCorps Program**

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ General Requirements:
 - ▶ Receive a Stafford Loan through the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program
 - ▶ You are a new borrower (no outstanding balance on an FFEL before October 1, 1998)
 - ▶ You have been employed for at least five consecutive years in an elementary or secondary school designated as a low-income school
 - ▶ You are not in default on the loan for which you are seeking forgiveness
 - ▶ You have not received a benefit for the same teaching service through the AmeriCorps Program
 - ▶ At least one of your five years of qualifying teaching service must be after the 1997-98 academic year
 - ▶ You received the loan for which you are requesting forgiveness before the end of your fifth year of qualifying teaching

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ You may receive up to \$17,500 in loan forgiveness if you are:
 - ▶ “Highly qualified” full-time mathematics or science teacher in a secondary school
 - ▶ “Highly qualified” special education teacher



Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ Complete the Teacher Loan Forgiveness Application
- ▶ Mail to Loan Servicer
- ▶ 6-8 weeks
- ▶ 3 months

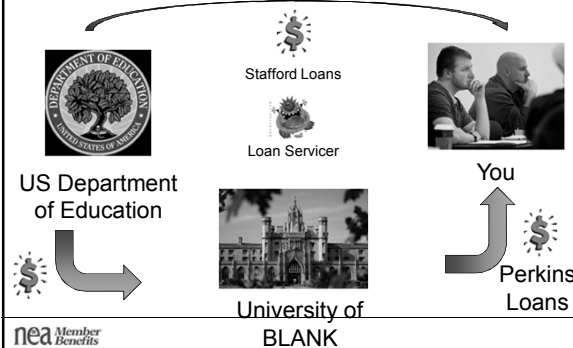


Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ You may receive up to \$5,000 in loan forgiveness if:
 - ▶ Your five years of qualifying teaching service began before October 30, 2004 and you were:
 - ▶ A full time elementary teacher who demonstrated knowledge and teaching skills in reading, writing, mathematics, and other areas of the elementary school curriculum
 - ▶ A full time secondary teacher who taught in a subject area relevant to your academic major



How did I get these loans?



Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Stafford Loan

- ▶ Your first five years of qualifying service began on or after October 30, 2004 and you were a “highly qualified” full time elementary or secondary school teacher



Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
* Perkins

- ▶ You qualify for cancellation:
 - ▶ if you have served full time in a public or nonprofit elementary or secondary school system as a:
 - ▶ teacher in a school serving students from low-income families; or
 - ▶ special-education teacher, including teachers of infants, toddlers, children, or youth with disabilities; or
 - ▶ teacher in the fields of mathematics, science, foreign languages, or bilingual education, **or in any other field of expertise determined by a state education agency to have a shortage of qualified teachers in that state.**



Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program * Perkins

- ▶ Teaching in a designated subject shortage area
 - ▶ Each year the state education agency determines any subject shortage areas in the elementary and secondary schools within the state
 - ▶ Listing of Teacher Shortage Areas Nationwide Listing: <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/pol/tsa.pdf>

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Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF Program)

- ▶ The PSLF Program is intended to encourage individuals to enter and continue to work full-time in public service jobs. Under this program, you may qualify for forgiveness of the remaining balance due on your William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program loans after you have made 120 qualifying payments on those loans while employed full-time by certain public service employers.

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program * Perkins

- ▶ How do I apply for teacher cancellation?
 - ▶ Request the paperwork from the office that administers the Federal Perkins Loan program at the school that holds your loan
 - ▶ You must also provide any documentation the school requests to show that you qualify for cancellation

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Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF Program)

- ▶ Steps:
 - ▶ 1. Consolidate into Direct Loans
 - ▶ 2. Complete Employment Certification for Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)
 - ▶ 3. Enroll in a qualifying repayment plan
 - ▶ Income-Based Repayment (IBR)
 - ▶ Contingent Repayment Plan (ICR)

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Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program * Perkins

- ▶ Cancellation amounts for years of service
 - ▶ If a borrower is eligible for teacher cancellation under any of the categories listed above, up to 100 percent of the loan may be canceled for teaching service, in the following increments:
 - ▶ 15 percent canceled per year for the first and second years of service,
 - ▶ 20 percent canceled for the third and fourth years, and
 - ▶ 30 percent canceled for the fifth year.
 - ▶ Each amount canceled per year includes the interest that accrued during the year.

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Consolidation

- ▶ Should I consolidate?
 - ▶ Stafford and Perkins: Two Families
 - ▶ Pre-1998 and Post 1998 loans
 - ▶ Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees
 - ▶ Love and Marriage...and sometimes Divorce
 - ▶ "If I do what you're recommending, am I still eligible for student loan forgiveness? Do you have documentation to the effect?"



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Resources from NEA Member Benefits

- ▶ Visit www.neamb.com
 - ▶ Name Beneficiary for NEA Complimentary Life
- ▶ Visit www.neamb.com/cta
 - ▶ Order two free magazine subscriptions



Resources from CTA Member Benefits

- ▶ Visit www.ctamemberbenefits.org
 - ▶ Name Beneficiary for CTA D&D Plan
- ▶ Visit www.ctamemberbenefits.org/studentloan
 - ▶ Has Supplemental Information for Student Loan Forgiveness
- ▶ Call CTA Member Benefits Department 650.552.5200 to learn more about your benefits
- ▶ Download the CTA Member Benefits App on the App Store and Google Play



Automatic Death Benefits

Years of Continuous Membership	Death Benefit	AD&D Benefit	Occupation/ Association Leader AD&D Benefit	Unlawful homicide while at work
1 year	\$200	\$1,000	\$50,000	\$150,000
2 years	\$400	\$2,000	\$50,000	\$150,000
3 years	\$600	\$3,000	\$50,000	\$150,000
4 years	\$800	\$4,000	\$50,000	\$150,000
5 or more years	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$50,000	\$150,000



Automatic Death Benefits

CTA D&D Plan

Years of Continuous Membership	Death Benefit	Accidental Death & Accidental Dismemberment (AD&D) Benefit	Occupation / Association Leader AD&D Benefit
1	\$200	\$1,000	\$50,000
2	\$400	\$2,000	\$50,000
3	\$600	\$3,000	\$50,000
4	\$800	\$4,000	\$50,000
5	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$50,000
6	\$1,200	\$6,000	\$50,000
7	\$1,400	\$7,000	\$50,000
8	\$1,600	\$8,000	\$50,000
9	\$1,800	\$9,000	\$50,000
10 or more years	\$2,000 (Maximum Benefit)	\$10,000 (Maximum Benefit)	\$50,000 (Maximum Benefit)



Resources from NEA Member Benefits

- ▶ Text 73915
 - ▶ Finance
 - ▶ Insurance
 - ▶ Travel
 - ▶ Discounts
 - ▶ Professional
- ▶ Text 73915
 - ▶ Studentloan
 - ▶ Allflyers
 - ▶ This will give you the full list.

