

Lehigh University
Graduate Student Financial Aid Application
2008-2009

Name _____ Lehigh Identification# _____
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THE INFORMATION REQUESTED ON THIS APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED ACCURATELY. MISSING OR INCORRECT INFORMATION WILL DELAY THE PROCESSING OF THE LOAN. IF YOUR PLANS CHANGE AT ANY TIME, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE. ANY REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF COURSES TAKEN OR TUITION AID RECEIVED WILL AFFECT YOUR LOAN ELIGIBILITY.

Stafford loans, alternative loans and limited student employment are the only opportunities available to graduate students through the Office of Financial Aid. For any other forms of aid (assistantships, fellowships or scholarships), you need to contact the department or college in which you are enrolled. **APPLICANTS MUST BE REGISTERED AT LEAST HALF-TIME TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A FEDERAL STAFFORD LOAN (SIX CREDITS EACH SEMESTER DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR- 3 CREDITS FOR EACH SUMMER SESSION). ENROLLMENT IN A DEGREE PROGRAM IS REQUIRED.**

In order to determine eligibility for a **Federal Stafford Loan** or **Federal Work Study**, you need to file the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**. This can be done via the internet at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>. When completing the FAFSA, **Lehigh University's Federal School Code (003289) must be entered**. After submitting your FAFSA, the U.S. Department of Education will process the application then send you a **Student Aid Report (SAR)**. If the form is not received within four to six weeks, you may verify the status via the web site listed above. When the SAR is received, please verify that the information is correct. Any corrections that may be needed can be made at the web site listed above. **SUBMIT A COPY OF A COMPLETE SIGNED 2007 FEDERAL TAX RETURN WITH ALL PAGES, SCHEDULES AND W-2'S IN ADDITION TO THIS APPLICATION DIRECTLY TO THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID.**

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Permanent Address _____
Home Phone (_____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____ - _____ Work Phone (_____) _____ - _____
Local Address _____ E-Mail Address _____

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION: **REQUIRED INFORMATION - IF NOT COMPLETED PROCESSING WILL BE DELAYED. **

TYPE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED: _____ Loan assistance _____ Student employment

LOAN AMOUNT REQUESTED: Summer '08: \$ _____ Fall '08: \$ _____ Spring '09: \$ _____

If you are not eligible for the amount requested in a subsidized loan, will you accept an unsubsidized loan? Yes _____ No _____

NUMBER OF CREDITS for which you plan to register:

_____ Summer I '08 _____ Summer II '08 _____ Fall '08 _____ Spring '09

Degree program: _____ Beginning date: _____/_____/_____ Anticipated completion date: _____/_____/_____

If you will be receiving **TUITION-FREE CREDITS** in addition to the fellowship or assistantship, record the number of credits you will be receiving at no charge in the appropriate semester slot below:

_____ Summer I '08 _____ Summer II '08 _____ Fall '08 _____ Spring '09

STAFFORD LOANS: GRADUATE Students are eligible for up to \$20,500 in **STAFFORD** loans. Of that amount, up to \$8,500 may be **SUBSIDIZED**. The remainder may be taken in an **UNSUBSIDIZED** loan. The federal government pays the interest for subsidized loans while the student is enrolled at least ½ time. The student is responsible for the interest on any unsubsidized loans they receive. The principal on both types of loans is deferred until 6 months after the student graduates, withdraws or drops to less than half time. If the student has already used the 6 month grace period, repayment begins immediately. Please provide your birthdate to allow us to access your NSLDS Records. _____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

COMMENTS: Please use the area below to explain any special circumstances that might affect your financial situation or to clarify any item on this application.

VERIFICATION INFORMATION

To receive federal student financial aid, you are required to complete a process called "verification."
 Completing the following section, providing copies of your 2007 Federal Income Tax Return (signed with all schedules, including W2's) or a non-filer's statement, and signing this application will fulfill this requirement.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE

FULL NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP	ATTENDING	IF YES, WHERE
			COLLEGE 2008-2009 (YES/NO)	
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

UNTAXED INCOME AND BENEFITS RECEIVED IN 2007

(Please do not leave any item blank. Answer with N/A if not applicable).

Please indicate below the amount of Untaxed Income from any of the following:

SOURCE	STUDENT	SPOUSE
Deductible IRA/Keogh (from 1040)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Earned Income Credit (from 1040)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Untaxed Pension (from 1040)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Foreign Income Exclusion (from 1040)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Tax Exempt Interest Income (from 1040)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Untaxed Social Security (from 1040)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Payments to tax deferred pensions 401K, 403B, etc... (from W2)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Welfare Benefits	\$ _____	\$ _____
Worker's Compensation	\$ _____	\$ _____
Child Support	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other: _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION: (Required. If not completed processing will be delayed.)

1. Please submit a complete *signed* copy of your 2007 Federal IRS 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, or telefile (include all schedules and W2's). If you did not file a 2007 federal income tax return, a Student/Spouse Non-filer's Statement Form can be obtained online at www.lehigh.edu/~infao.

2. File the 2008-2009 FAFSA(Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and list Lehigh University's code 003289.

3. If you have previously borrowed under the Stafford Loan Program, please provide the name and code of your lender.

Lender _____ Code _____

(Note: If you have not borrowed in the past, please specify what lender you will be using):

Lender _____ Code _____

4. Please list the number of Stafford Loans you have received at the graduate level.

of loans _____ Total amount borrowed \$ _____

5. List the names of *all colleges* you have attended:

Name	City/State	Dates Attended
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

CERTIFICATION:

ALL OF THE REQUIRED FORMS *MUST* BE SUBMITTED AND YOU MUST BE REGISTERED FOR COURSES BEFORE YOUR STAFFORD LOAN CAN BE PROCESSED. PLEASE RETAIN A COPY OF THIS APPLICATION FOR YOUR RECORDS.

If your plans should change at any time, it is your responsibility to notify this office. Any reduction in the number of course credits taken *will* affect your financial aid eligibility.

By my signature, I certify that all of the information reported to qualify for federal student aid is complete and accurate. I acknowledge my responsibility to notify the Office of Financial Aid if any academic, financial or certification information changes during the period of enrollment.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Spouse's Signature _____ Date _____

Please return all forms to:
Office of Financial Aid
218 W. Packer Ave.
Bethlehem, PA 18015
Phone: (610) 758-3181
Fax: (610)758-6211
Email: infao@lehigh.edu