

Exit Counseling Requirements for Federal Student Loan Borrowers

The Student Financial Aid Office provides counseling to borrowers of federal student loans shortly before the student borrower ceases at least half-time attendance at ACM. Students will receive an official letter of expectation to attend an in-person Exit Interview.

Should you have any additional questions, the Office is located in the College Center; and can also be reached by telephone at 301-784-5213 or by email at studentfinancialaid@allegany.edu.

As required by the U.S. Department of Education, the Exit Counseling session will provide on information on:

- Average anticipated monthly repayment amount
- Repayment plan options
- Options to prepay or pay on shorter schedule
- Debt Management Strategies
- Use of Master Promissory Note
- The seriousness and importance of student's repayment obligation
- Terms and Conditions for forgiveness or cancellation
- Copy of information provided by the U.S. Department of Education
- Terms and Conditions for deferment or forbearance
- Consequences of default
- Options and consequences of loan consolidation
- Tax benefits available to borrowers
- The obligation of the borrower to repay the full amount of the loan regardless of whether the borrower completes program or completes within regular time for completion, is unable to obtain employment upon completion, or is otherwise dissatisfied with or did not receive the educational or other services the borrower purchased from the school
- Availability of the Student Loan Ombudsman's Office

- Inform the student borrower of the availability of Title IV loan information in the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) and how NSLDS can be used to obtain Title IV loan status information
- Explain to first-time borrowers, as defined in 685.200(f)(1)(i):
 - How the borrower's maximum eligibility period, remaining eligibility period, and subsidized usage period are determined;
 - The sum of the borrower's subsidized usage periods, as determined under 685.200(f)(1)(iii), at the time of the exit counseling;
 - The consequences of continued borrowing or enrollment, including: the possible loss of eligibility for additional Direct Subsidized Loans; and the possibility that the borrower could become responsible for accruing interest on previously received Direct Subsidized Loans and the portion of a Direct Consolidation Loan that repaid a Direct Subsidized Loan during in-school status, the grace period, authorized periods of deferment, and certain periods under the Income-Based Repayment and Pay As You Earn Repayment Plans.