Entrance Counseling Checklist

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__ You must abide by the requirements set forth in your Master Promissory Note (MPN).

__ Your MPN is an official contract between you and your lender. The MPN contains the interest rate, fees, and repayment terms of your loan.

__ You must repay your loan, including all accrued or capitalized interest, as well as fees that you have incurred.

__ You understand that you are legally obligated to pay back your loan even if:

  • You do not graduate or complete your education.
  • You cannot find employment.
  • You are not satisfied with the education or other services you received from your school.
  • Your loan is sold to another party.

__ If you do not repay your loans, you will be in default, and the following actions may be taken against you:

  • The unpaid balance of your loan, including accrued interest and late fees, will become immediately due and payable.
  • Your default will be reported to all national credit bureaus.
  • You will no longer qualify for deferment or forbearance options.
  • Legal action can be taken against you. You could then be responsible for all attorney fees and court costs.
  • A collection agency can be hired to collect the loan balance. You will be responsible for paying collection costs.
  • Your wages can be withheld (garnished) to pay the loan balance.
  • Your federal and state tax refunds can be withheld to pay the loan balance.
  • You will not be eligible for any other federal financial aid.
  • If your profession requires a license to practice, you can be denied renewal of your professional license until you have made satisfactory arrangements to repay your loan.

__ You have been shown average anticipated regular monthly payment amounts for student loans made to borrowers at your school in your program of study.

__ You understand that you must complete exit counseling before you graduate from school or drop below half-time status. This process allows you to fully understand your rights, responsibilities, and repayment options before you begin making payments on your loan.

The U.S. Department of Education does not assess late fees.