

Financial aid moves everyone forward. We're your partner for progress.



SUNY at Fredonia
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You work hard to help your students succeed. You're ready to connect the dots, helping them find the funding they need to earn the degree they want. We're here, too, ready to help students take the next step on that journey. We know students and families have many possibilities to consider. Here are a few ways that Citizens Student Lending stands out.

We listen.

We listen — closely. And then share what we've learned in over 40 years of lending to student and parent borrowers. So, students are well prepared for their college financial journey — undergraduate, graduate, or however far they want to go.

We make it easier.

Students can choose from 3 fast, easy apply options, and there are always specialists standing by to help in-person, online or on the phone. To save even more time (and stress), Multi-Year Approval[†] means one application could fund all four years.

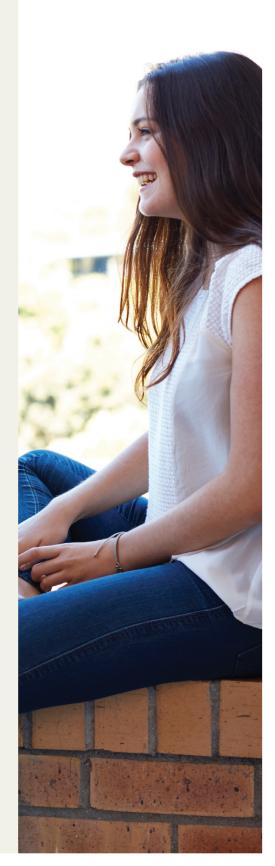
We inform.

Students and parents can do all their research at our comprehensive hub with:

- · Side-by-side loan comparisons.
- Educational tools including cost calculators and frequently asked questions.
- Articles with tips about saving for college, scholarships and financial aid.

We specialize.

We offer unique options that cater to borrowers like loans for parents, law and medical students. So undergraduate students, graduate students, and parents can have the peace of mind of knowing they could be covered.



A Leader in Student Lending.

As one of the oldest and largest financial services firms in the United States, Citizens Financial Group, Inc. is committed to delivering exceptional value for our customers. We have worked continuously with students and families to finance educations for more than 40 years. Our team of dedicated relationship managers has over 210 years of combined experience, providing a deep understanding of the industry, as well as Citizens' products and services.

Mission.

We are here to help our customers reach their potential by listening to them and by understanding their needs so we can deliver tailored advice, ideas and solutions.

Our mission: To help our customers, colleagues and communities reach their potential.

Our vision: To be a top-performing bank distinguished by its customer-centric culture, mindset of continuous improvement and excellent capabilities.

Our credo: We perform our best every day so we can do more for our customers, colleagues, communities, and shareholders. We strive to always exceed customer expectations, do the right thing, think long-term and work together. We are citizens helping citizens reach their potential.

Why choose us?

Easy

Multi-Year Approval[†]: One application could cover every year of college. Approved borrowers are able to make payments on their schedule: Borrowers choose how and when they want to pay, and if eligible, can request additional funds as needed for the duration of their education.

Affordable

Save more: Lower our competitive rates by an additional 0.50% with our Loyalty and Automatic Payment Discounts.† Borrowers save with no application, origination, or disbursement fees.

Flexible

Payments on their schedule: Borrowers choose how and when they want to pay.

Make full (principal and interest) or interestonly payments, or put payments on hold until after graduation.

Student Eligibility

- Borrower must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident or an international borrower/eligible non-citizen with a credit-qualified U.S. citizen or permanent resident co-signer.
- Borrower must be enrolled at least half-time or accepted for enrollment at an eligible institution as certified by the school.
- Borrower must have attained the age of majority in their state of residence or if they have not met the age of majority in their state of residence, a co-signer will be required.
- Borrowers may apply to cover a past due balance within 365 days after the end of the enrollment period or recent graduation.
- · Satisfactory academic progress is not required.

Loans Personalized to the Borrower

We've created unique programs in the past several years with exclusive options that cater to borrowers with a specific goal in mind, such as:

Graduate Loans

Graduate students have specific needs, taking on advanced years of study while also perhaps launching their own start-up or working abroad, which can make the trip up the graduation platform take longer. Our Graduate Loan could help them pay for their education.

Parent Loans

Parents with a student in college or graduate school can take out their own loan to supplement their child's education costs. Parents can save with no application, origination or disbursement fees. They can also receive Automatic Payment and/or Loyalty Discounts.[†]



Ready to expand their world and their view of it.

Citizens Student Loan™ Products Overview

	UNDERGRADUATE	GRADUATE	МВА	LAW		
MULTI-YEAR APPROVAL	With Citizens Student Loan multi-year approval [†] , approved borrowers have access to a simplified, streamline process to request funds in subsequent years. Terms and conditions apply.					
MINIMUM LOAN AMOUNT	\$1,000					
AGGREGATE LIMITS	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$300,000	\$300,000		
FEES	No application, origination, or disbursement fees or prepayment penalty					
REPAYMENT OPTIONS	 Immediate Interest-only Fully Deferred 5, 10, 15-year repayment terms 					
GRACE PERIOD	6 months					
BORROWER BENEFITS	 Automatic Payment Discount[†]: 0.25% interest rate reduction when borrower elects to have monthly loan payments deducted electronically from any bank account. Loyalty Discount[†]: 0.25% interest rate reduction when borrower or co-signer has a qualifying account in good standing with us prior to the loan being approved for disbursement. 					
	 Co-signer release[†] option available after 36 consecutive on-time payments, subject to credit approval. Not available on the Student Loan for Parents or Education Refinance Loan for Parents. 					
	 In the unfortunate event of the student borrower's death or total and permanent disability, the Citizens Student Loan will be forgiven, regardless of whether the loan is co-signed. 					
CHOICE OF FIXED OR VARIABLE INTEREST RATE	For the most recent rates, visit: citizensbank.com/disclosures					

	MEDICAL & GRADUATE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONS	PARENT			
MULTI-YEAR APPROVAL	With Citizens Student Loan multi-year approval [†] , approved borrowers have access to a simplified, streamlined process to request funds in subsequent years. Terms and conditions apply.				
MINIMUM LOAN AMOUNT	\$1,000				
AGGREGATE LIMITS	\$250,000-\$400,000	\$350,000			
FEES	No application, origination, or disbursement fees or prepayment penalty				
GRACE PERIOD	6 Months [†]				
REPAYMENT OPTIONS	ImmediateInterest-onlyFully Deferred5, 10, 15-year repayment terms	ImmediateInterest-only5, 10-year repayment term			
BORROWER BENEFITS	 Automatic Payment Discount[†]: 0.25% interest rate reduction when borrower elects to have monthly loan payments deducted electronically from any bank account. Loyalty Discount[†]: 0.25% interest rate reduction when borrower or co-signer has a qualifying account in good standing with us prior to the loan being approved for disbursement. Co-signer release[†] option available after 36 consecutive on-time payments, subject to credit approval. Not available on the Student Loan for Parents or Education Refinance Loan for Parents. In the unfortunate event of the student borrower's death or total and permanent disability, the Citizens Student Loan will be forgiven, regardless of whether the loan is co-signed. 				
ELIGIBILITY	Student must be enrolled at least half-time in a degree-granting program at an eligible institution				
CHOICE OF FIXED OR VARIABLE INTEREST RATE	For the most recent rates, visit: citizensbank.com/disclosures				

Healthcare: \$250,000 or \$400,000 depending on the borrower's degree (Aggregate limits up to \$400,000 for MD, DMD/DDS, OD, DO, DPM, PharmD, and DVM degrees. Aggregate limits up to \$250,000 for chiropractic, nurse practitioner, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and physician assistant degree).



Citizens Student Loan Multi-Year Approval

Multi-Year Approval[†] could give students the money for each academic school year with just one application. If approved, they'll simply request funds after the first year.

82% of borrowers take advantage of our Multi-Year feature[†]

Top 3 Benefits



Save time, gain peace of mind

Keep the focus on school, not how to pay for it.



Funds for future use

99% approval rate[†] of future requests for additional funds.



Personalized repayment options

Borrower chooses interest rate and repayment terms.[†]

A few things to know

- Granted to eligible applicants based on credit qualification
- · No pressure to borrow more than is needed
- Full-time students as well as parent borrowers are eligible

After submitting one easy application for a Citizens Student LoanTM, eligible multi-year borrowers can simply log in to their account prior to each school year and request funds with no impact to their credit score. If eligible, the student need only complete the Self-Certification for each academic year and request their loan amount. The loan will immediately be sent for school certification and no further documentation requirements are needed. Borrowers must maintain their credit quality during school, avoid defaults or delinquencies on the loan and continue attending an eligible school to ensure future disbursements.

Ready to Help

Customer service is part of our credo. Call, click or come in to a branch and expect knowledgeable, friendly, and personalized service that resolves issues as quickly and completely as possible.

Here are a few ways we serve:

Fast Service	Trained Advisors	Issue Resolution
All calls are promptly answered by a live customer service advisor.	Our customer service team provides nationwide support for students and parents looking for guidance and advice on how to pay for college.	Our customer service team strives to resolve issues on the very first phone call.

Dedicated Service for Borrowers

Apply by Phone

Our Student Lending Advisors advise both students and parents on the financial aid process over the phone. They can even take applications right over the phone.

Areas of expertise include:

- In-depth knowledge of financing options
- Financial aid application process
- · Loan repayment options

Phone:

866-999-0254 M-F 8:00am to 9:00pm ET; Sat 8:00am – 5:00pm ET in the months of May through September

Online:

citizensbank.com/collegestudent

Branch

Visit the nearest Citizens branch. Our bankers will provide personalized service for students and their families throughout the application process.

Live Chat

Visit <u>citizensbank.com/collegestudent</u> and click on the Live Chat tab on the right. All chats are conducted on a secure network to safeguard personal customer information.

Ready for Repayment

"Know What You Owe" Annual Summary

We send an Annual Summary to all Citizens Student Loan borrowers and co-signers who have not yet begun repaying their loans to ensure they know their repayment responsibilities. This letter summarizes the total Citizens Student Loans to date for those not yet in repayment, estimates monthly payments based on the total amount borrowed and shows when payments are scheduled to begin.

Letter Sample

Borrower Page 1

Date

Student Name Address City, State, Zip

Know What You Owe with the Citizens Student Loan™ Annual Summary

Dear First Name Last Name,

Thank you for choosing Citizens to help finance your education! Every year, we will send you a Citizens Student Loan™ Annual Summary for your loan(s) not yet due for payment. We want to help you stay up to date on your finances so you can stay focused on school!

Although you do not owe any payments at this time, it's important to see where you stand. Please take a moment to review this summary so you will know what the estimated monthly payments will be when the loan(s) enters repayment. If you borrowed with Citizens for the academic year, your other loan(s) is serviced by Citizens, and you can expect to receive an additional annual summary outlining your outstanding obligations on that loan(s). Keeping you informed will help you plan for the future.

Want to know more about the Citizens Student Loan Annual Summary? Call us at 800.708.6684.

Think more money is needed to help you get to graduation? We can help with that too!

Best,

Fred Good

Head of Product Development www.citizensbank.com/studentloans

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Repayment Servicing

Citizens is the repayment servicer for all of our student loans. Borrowers have full access to their account information online at student.citizensbank.com. They can check their current balance and most recent payments, edit account information (including mailing address and phone number), make payments online and set up automated payments.

Servicing

At Citizens, we closely monitor delinquencies and go beyond the required due diligence to correct delinquencies and avoid default. Additionally, Citizens emails Student Loan borrowers and co-signers who have chosen deferment at least 30 days prior to entering the repayment period. Interest-only and immediate repayment borrowers will begin receiving monthly statements following full disbursement.

Deferment and Forbearance Options

We encourage responsible borrowing. For certain circumstances, the following deferments and forbearances are available:

In-School Period

Student borrowers have the option of deferring principal and interest or deferring principal and paying only the interest accrued as long as they remain enrolled at least half-time at an approved school. In-School deferment length is capped at 8 years over the life of the loan.

Residency or Internship Program Participation

Student borrowers, who enroll in an eligible internship or residency program, as defined by Citizens, may request a deferment up to 48 months.

Military Deferment

Student borrowers or co-signers who are members of the National Guard or the Ready Reserves called to active-duty for a period of more than 30 days, or regular active-duty members of the Armed Forces may request a military deferment in 12-month increments, with a maximum of 48 months of deferment time. During this deferment period, no minimum payments are required.

Service Members Civil Relief Act (SCRA)

Benefits may be awarded if the borrower or co-signer is on active-duty status.

Loan Modification

We offer payment relief options for qualifying borrowers to avoid loan default. Our loan modification program offers a 2% fixed rate and payment reduction for 12 months. Borrowers must meet program criteria and have a willingness and ability to return to full repayment after a 12 month modification period.

Hardship Forbearance

Student borrowers and/or co-signers who are experiencing financial difficulty may temporarily postpone principal and interest repayment through approval of hardship forbearance. Interest may be capitalized once at the end of the grace period and at the end of each forbearance period. In all cases, capitalized interest is thereafter considered part of the principal and interest will accrue on the new principal balance.

Citizens Education Refinance LoanTM Product Overview

	UNDERGRADUATE	GRADUATE/ MASTERS	PROFESSIONAL DEGREES	PARENT		
CITIZENS LOAN LIMITS	\$10,000 - \$300,000	\$10,000 - \$500,000	\$10,000 - \$750,000	\$10,000 - \$500,000		
REPAYMENT OPTIONS	 Immediate Interest-only 5, 7, 10, 15, or 20-year repayment terms 					
BORROWER BENEFITS	 Automatic Payment Discount[†]: 0.25% interest rate reduction when borrower elects to have monthly loan payments deducted electronically from any bank account. Loyalty Discount[†]: 0.25% interest rate reduction when borrower or co-signer has a qualifying account in good standing with us prior to the loan being approved for disbursement. In the unfortunate event of the student borrower's death or total and permanent disability, the Citizens Education Refinance Loan will be forgiven, regardless of whether the loan is co-signed. 					
	Co-signer release[†] option available after 36 consecutive on-time payments, subject to credit approval.			Co-signer release is not offered on the Education Refinance Loan for Parents.		
	Reduced interest rate					
REFINANCING	· Lower monthly payment					
BENEFITS COULD INCLUDE	One monthly payment Lock in a fixed rate					
,	Reduce or extend repayment term					
ELIGIBILITY	• At least \$10,000 in student loans to refinance.					
	 Must be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or an eligible non-citizen with a co-signer who is a credit-qualified U.S. citizen or permanent resident. 					
	· Applicants must have attained a bachelor's degree or higher to refinance their loan.					
CHOICE OF FIXED OR VARIABLE INTEREST RATE	For the most recent rates, visit: citizensbank.com/disclosures					

Citizens Education Refinance Loan for Parents

Designed to meet the needs of parents in repayment with existing Federal Direct PLUS and private loans, we offer the ability to refinance loans for one or multiple children.[†]

Top Benefits:

- Reduce interest rate
- Lower monthly payment
- · Consolidate into one payment
- · Lock in a fixed rate
- · Reduce or extend repayment term

Financial Literacy

Our site, citizensbank.com/collegeboundcitizens, provides a single location where students and their families can go for financial wellness resources and detailed information on the financial aid process. With our loan repayment calculator, informational videos, and tips on preparing for college, we aim to provide answers to every question a student or parent may have about the financial aid process.

Customized Workshops

Join us for free professional development sessions that outline everything from important resources, mindfulness training, and best practices on advising students and their families. Citizens Sessions™ was developed to provide quick and convenient ways to learn, all without leaving the office.

Register for one of our upcoming webinars here.

Our Commitment to Community and Social Equity

Citizens Helping Citizens is our comprehensive community engagement platform where we engage colleagues in volunteer efforts across our footprint and invest in organizations that support our focus areas of Fighting Hunger, Managing Money, and Strengthening Communities.

Learn more about our efforts in our communities.

In 2024, Citizens is providing \$2.4 Million in contributions to 137 nonprofits across the communities we serve, that are addressing financial empowerment, including Junior Achievement.*

Scholarship Program

Everyone could use a boost to their college fund, so Citizens is here to help with our scholarship program! Undergraduate and graduate students, as well as their parents or sponsors can submit an entry to win monthly scholarships of \$2,500 toward tuition and an annual grand prize scholarship of \$15,000 toward tuition. Additionally, each quarter a student who meets the required criteria for the Building the Workforce of the Future Scholarship will be eligible to win a \$2,500 quarterly scholarship. Winnings are to be used towards school expenses and are awarded in the form of a check paid directly to the winner's (or winner's child's) school. To learn more visit citizensbank.com/scholarship.**

Commitment to the Code of Conduct

We're committed to upholding the principles of our Student Lending Code of Ethics. It offers our colleagues practical guidance in making decisions and judgments consistent with our commitment to being a leading provider of fair and affordable education financing products.

Dedicated Service for Schools

School Services Team

Our School Services Team (SST) provides financial aid administrators with superior service, from initial product setup through processing and disbursement. The SST will serve as the primary contact for school administrators that need assistance with loan certifications, disbursements and general inquiries.

Phone:

1-888-333-0169

M–F 8:00am to 5:00pm ET with extended hours in the months of May through September Email: schoolservices@citizensbank.com

School Processing

At Citizens, we can work with your school's preferred processing system. Processing Platforms:

- ScholarNet
- ELM One
- · I-Link

Disbursement Options:

- Great Lakes' CDS
- ELM NDN
- · I-Link CDS

Your Dedicated Relationship Manager

Ray Sykes

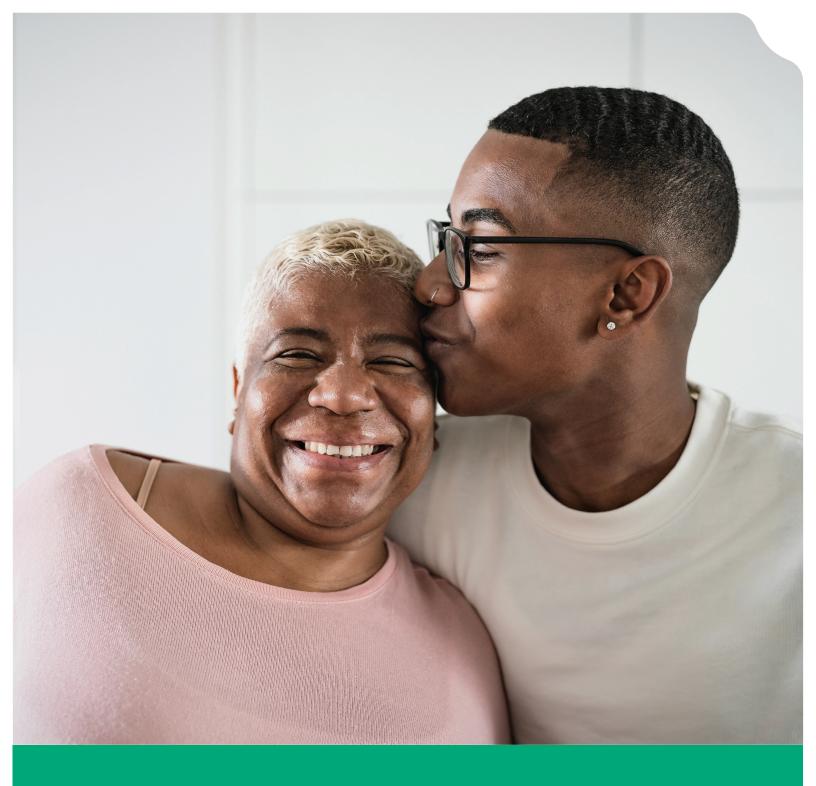
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