



# CHOWAN UNIVERSITY

## Financial Aid Office

### Federal Perkins Student Loan Statement of Rights and Responsibilities

Your Federal Perkins Loan is a serious legal obligation. Therefore, it is extremely important that you understand your rights and responsibilities. When you, the student borrower, sign this statement, it means that you do understand your responsibilities, and you agree to honor them.

1. I understand I must, without exception, report any of the following changes to the Student Loan Collections Office, Chowan University, Murfreesboro, NC 27855.
  - a. If I withdraw from school.
  - b. If I transfer to another school.
  - c. If I drop below half-time status.
  - d. If my name should change (for example, because of marriage)
  - e. If my address or my parents' address changes.
  - f. If my telephone number or my parents' telephone number changes.
  - g. If my Social Security number should change.
2. When I graduate or withdraw from Chowan University, I must arrange for an exit interview by calling the Student Loan Collections Office.
3. My first monthly payment will be due ten months from the time I cease to be at least a half-time student. Late charges are accessed if payment is not received by the due date.
- f. My monthly payment will be at least \$40.00. It may be more if the amount borrowed is sufficient to require larger payments. The maximum length of time for repayment is 10 years.
- g. The ANNUAL PERCENTAGE RATE of 5% will be the FINANCE CHARGE based on the unpaid balance, and it will begin to accrue nine months after I cease to be enrolled as at least a half-time student.
6. Cancellation may be granted for:
  - a. Certain types of elementary or secondary school teaching:
    - a. full-time teacher, in a public or other nonprofit elementary or secondary school
    - b. full-time special education teacher, in a public or nonprofit elementary or secondary school
    - c. full-time teacher, in a public or other nonprofit elementary or secondary school system who teaches mathematics, science, foreign languages, bilingual education, or any other field of expertise that is determined by the State Department of Education to have a shortage of qualified teachers in that State.
  - b. Full-time qualified professional provider of early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities, in a public or other nonprofit program under public supervision by a lead agency as authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
  - c. Full-time law enforcement and corrections officers for eligible local, State, or Federal law enforcement/corrections agencies.
  - d. Full time nurses and medical technicians providing health care services.
  - e. Full-time family service agency employees who serve high-risk children from low-income communities and the families of such children.
  - f. Full-time staff members of Head Start
  - g. Military service in areas of hostilities
  - h. Volunteer service in the Peace Corps and ACTION programs.
  - i. In the event of permanent disability or death.

**I understand the school must be informed of such status.**

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7. Deferments are provided in the following categories:
  - a. If I am enrolled as a regular student in at least a half-time course of study at an eligible School.
  - b. If I am enrolled in an approved graduate fellowship program or engaged in graduate or post-graduate fellowship-supported study outside the US.
  - c. If I am enrolled and attending an approved rehabilitation training program for disabled individuals.
  - d. Active duty in the Military or performing qualifying National Guard duty during a war or other military operation or national emergency (not to exceed three years).
  - e. Peace Corps, ACTION or service comparable to either.
  - f. Under certain conditions stipulated in the promissory note if I am pregnant or have preschool children.
  - g. Unemployment and economic hardship.
  - h. Anyone receiving cancellation.
8. If I fail to repay my loan as agreed, the total loan may become due and payable immediately and legal action could be taken against me. If I allow my loan to become more than 120 past due, my loan will be considered in default, and I will be ineligible for any Title IV Funds. If my loan remains in default for two or more years, it may be assigned to the U.S. Department of Education for collection.
9. I will promptly answer any communication from Chowan University or Campus Partners regarding the loan.
10. I may prepay at any time. Interest will be reduced by prepaying.
11. If I cannot pay on time, I must contact the Chowan University Student Loan Collections Office to make arrangements.
12. I realize that aggregate loan limits are \$40,000 for a graduate or professional student and \$20,000 for an undergraduate.
13. I authorize Chowan University to contact any school which I may attend, to obtain information concerning my student status, my year of study, my dates of attendance, graduation, or withdrawal, my transfer to another school, or my current address. This authorization is in effect until my loan is paid in full.
14. Chowan University is required by the U.S. Department of Education to report this loan to credit bureaus beginning with the first advance.

**THIS LOAN MUST BE REPAYED**

**I attest that I have read and understand the responsibilities and options available to me, and that I will adhere to them.**

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Signature of Student

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Date