



UNC- Chapel Hill Preferred Lenders for Federal Graduate PLUS Loans

This chart provides you with a basic summary of our “preferred” lender services. It should serve as a guide only. A group committee reviewed and evaluated criteria considered important in meeting the borrowing needs of our students and families to select the following lenders as “preferred”. Information on how the lenders were selected is included below the chart.

You are **not** required to use any of our preferred lenders. You may opt to use a lender of your choice by providing our office with the lender name, lender code, and phone number of your preferred lender choice.

Federal guidelines regulate the basic features of the federal student loan programs; however, there are differences among lenders that may affect you as a borrower. Please carefully read and review the information provided, and contact the lender directly if you have further questions concerning benefits they offer.

BORROWER BENEFITS	COLLEGE FOUNDATION (CFI) LENDER CODE: 807037	DISCOVER LENDER CODE: 831312	WACHOVIA LENDER CODE: 830005
Interest Rates	8.5 % fixed	8.5 % fixed	8.5 % fixed
<i>Loan Fees:</i>			
Loan Origination Fee:	3.00 %	3.00 %	3.00 %
Federal Default Fee:	Waived	1%	1%
Amount Disbursed to Student on \$40,000 loan:	\$38,800	\$38,398	\$38,400
Repayment plans are subject to change. Please check with your lender on most current rates and information	0.25% interest rate reduction when borrower signs up to make monthly payments by automatic draft.	0.25% interest rate reduction when borrower signs up to make monthly payments by automatic draft.	
Total Cost of Repayment on \$40,000 loan at 8.5 % - benefits applied	\$58,527	\$59,527	\$59,513

BORROWER INFORMATION & SERVICING	COLLEGE FOUNDATION (CFI)	DISCOVER	WACHOVIA
Lender Phone Number	1-866-866-CFNC	1-877-728-3030	1-800-338-2243
Hours of Operation	M-Th 8 am- 8 pm EST Friday 8 am- 5 pm EST	8 am-Midnight 7 Days a Week	M- F 8 am-8 pm EST 24-hour voice system
Lender Website Address	www.CFNC.org	www.DiscoverStudentLoans.com	www.wachovia.com/education
Guarantor	NCSEAA	Great Lakes	ECMC
Guarantor Website Address	www.ncseaa.edu	www.mygreatlakes.org	www.ecmc.org
Loans certified & disbursed electronically?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Life of loan servicing?	Yes	Yes	Not Guaranteed

UNC Chapel Hill Announces Preferred Lender List for Federal Student Loan Administration, 2009-2010

In an effort to help students and parents make sound decisions about the selection of a lender for purposes of originating federal student loans during the 2009-2010 academic year, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill announces the following three financial institutions as our “preferred” lenders:

College Foundation of North Carolina, Inc. (CFI)

www.cfnc.org

Discover

www.DiscoverStudentLoans.com

Wachovia

www.wachovia.com/education

In reviewing multiple proposals and selecting preferred lenders, our goal was to discern the greatest benefit to student borrowers, expressed primarily through cost and service. Consistent with federal regulations and university policies governing the development of such a list, the University applied the following criteria:

- 1. character and stability of the financial institution;**
- 2. borrower benefits and loan incentives;**
- 3. customer service;**
- 4. repayment options; and**
- 5. technology.**

Regardless of the preferred status granted to these lenders, the Office of Scholarships and Student Aid provides students and parents a choice of lenders, and neither prevents nor impedes borrowers from freely exercising that right. Therefore, a borrower may designate any lender of choice and is not restricted to selecting one from the list above.