



College of the Holy Cross Loan

Information Sheet

Beginning in 2018-2019, the College of the Holy Cross will administer an institutional loan program. This is due to the expiration of the Federal Perkins Loan Program preventing all schools from offering new Perkins Loans in the 2018-2019 academic year.

The **College of the Holy Cross Loan** is an institutional loan program offering a fixed interest rate to students who demonstrate financial need. The loan is awarded by the Office of Financial Aid based on financial need, and the program is administered by the College with a limited amount of funds available each year. Student borrowers must complete a College of the Holy Cross Loan Master Promissory Note to borrow funds through this program. Currently loans originated during the 2019-2020 academic year bear a 6.0 percent fixed interest rate. This interest rate is subject to change each academic year. No interest accrues until the start of the repayment period, which begins three months after the student borrower ceases to be enrolled on at least a halftime basis.

Loan terms and conditions:

These loans may be assessed late charges not to exceed 20 percent of the monthly payment due. If not paid on time, the late charges may be added to the outstanding principal balance the day after the scheduled payment was due. Additionally, the loans may also be deemed to be in default if scheduled payments are not made for at least 90 consecutive calendar days and the full remaining loan amount (including late penalties and/or other fees and charges) may become due and payable immediately upon default. If the loan is deemed to be in default, the borrower is responsible for paying all collection fees and costs, including, but not limited to, court costs and attorney's fees, while this loan is in default. These loans are not eligible for deferment. Please note that if a borrower files for bankruptcy, the borrower may still be required to pay back the loan.

As described above, borrowers may qualify for federal student financial assistance through a program under Title IV of the Higher Education Act, the terms and conditions of which may be more favorable than the provisions of the College of the Holy Cross Loan. Additional information concerning federal student financial assistance is available from the College at <https://www.holycross.edu/admissions-aid/financial-aid> or on the website of the U.S. Department of Education at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/loans>. If the loan is approved, the terms of the loan will be available and will not change for 30 days except as a result of adjustments to the interest rate and other changes permitted by law.

Before the loan may be consummated, the borrower must complete and submit a self-certification form which will be provided by the College as part of the loan application process.

Assuming full principal and interest payments are made when due under this loan, the total cost would be as follows:

Amount Borrowed	Interest Rate	Loan Term	Total Paid over 10 years (includes associated fees)
\$10,000	6% fixed (subject to annual change for new loans)	10 years from start of repayment period	\$13,322