# 2024-25 Financing Options <br> Financial Aid Office - 4001 W. McNichols Rd. - Detroit, MI 48221 <br> Phone: 313-993-3350 • Fax: 313-993-3347• finaid@udmercy.edu 

## $\square$ Direct Subsidized Loan Undergraduates Only

- In the student's name
- Goes into repayment 6 months after the student graduates, leaves school or drops below half-time enrollment whichever occurs first
- No interest accrues on the loan while the student is enrolled at least half-time, however, the interest does begin to accrue 6 months after the student graduates, leaves school, or drops below half-time enrollment
- Currently requires a $1.057 \%$ origination fee
- The interest rate is fixed at $\mathbf{6 . 5 3 \%}$ and the student has $10-25$ years to repay the loan
- Subsidized Loan funds are limited to $150 \%$ of published length of academic program


## Direct Unsubsidized Loan

- In the student's name
- Goes into repayment 6 months after the student graduates, leaves school, or drops below half-time enrollment - whichever occurs first
- The interest begins to accrue on the loan from the day the loan funds are disbursed
- Currently requires a $1.057 \%$ origination fee
- The Undergraduate fixed interest rate is $\mathbf{6 . 5 3 \%}$ and the Graduate fixed interest rate is $\mathbf{8 . 0 8 \%}$
- The student has 10-25 years to repay the loan


## $\square$ Direct Parent/Graduate PLUS Loan

- In the Parent's or Graduate Student's name
- Deferred and Standard Repayment options available
- The interest rate is fixed at $\mathbf{9 . 0 8 \%}$, with a 10 to 25 year repayment option
- Currently requires a $\mathbf{4 . 2 2 8} \%$ origination fee
- If the Parent Plus loan is denied due to credit reasons, the undergraduate student automatically becomes eligible for an additional unsubsidized loan up to $\$ 4,000$
- Parents may visit studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/plus/parent for more information on repayment options and estimated repayment amounts


## $\square$ Private Loan

- In the student's name, but the student may require a credit-worthy co-signer
- Usually not repayable until 6 months after the student graduates, leaves school, or drops below half-time enrollment - whichever occurs first (varies by lender)
- Interest rate is market and the interest accrues on the loan from the day the loan funds are disbursed
- Students may visit elmselect.com to view a list of lenders or seek private loans on your own


## Payment Plan: Transact Campus Smartpay, powered by Cashnet

- Convenient option to spread educational expenses throughout the year and eliminate larger annual/semester payments
- 9 or 10 month interest-free payment plan for academic year or 4 or 5 month plan per term
- There is a $\$ 35$ enrollment fee per semester or $\$ 60$ for Fall and Winter
- Pay via your checking, savings, debit card or credit card. Using a debit or credit card will result in a $2.85 \%$ convenience fee
- Education Payment Counselors are available weekdays 8am-9pm EST at 800-339-8131
- To learn more about Cashnet Payment Solutions visit studentsupport.transactcampus.com/hc/en-us

