

## Private Student Loans

Private student loans are consumer loans made to individuals to help supplement other financial aid sources to fill funding gaps. Private loans are provided by for-profit and non-profit lending organizations and are **not** backed by the federal government. **It is highly recommended that students fully utilize their federal loan eligibility before obtaining a private loan.** Private loans are based primarily on credit scores and the overall creditworthiness of the applicant. Many lenders also require a cosigner (a person who promises to become legally responsible to pay the debt if the student fails to do so).

Private student loans are available from many lenders. **Northwest University does not endorse any one lender** and encourages borrowers to thoroughly research and compare different lenders to find the one that best meets their present and future needs. For reference, **the following historical list is comprised of lenders that Northwest University students and parents have utilized over the past 5 years.**

You can also visit our FastChoice webpage at <https://choice.fastproducts.org/FastChoice/home/378300> to research, compare, and apply for private education loans that Northwest University students and parents have utilized over the past 5 years.

This list is provided as a resource and for informational purposes only. You are not required to use any of the lenders presented below (or in FastChoice). You may choose any private education loan lender you wish.

	1-877-279-7172	<a href="https://www.salliemae.com/student-loans/">https://www.salliemae.com/student-loans/</a>
	1-844-422-7502	<a href="https://www.collegeave.com/student-loans/">https://www.collegeave.com/student-loans/</a>
	1-888-549-9050	<a href="https://www.lendkey.com/private-student-loans">https://www.lendkey.com/private-student-loans</a>
	1-855-456-7634	<a href="https://www.sofi.com/private-student-loans/">https://www.sofi.com/private-student-loans/</a>
	1-877-216-0876	<a href="https://www.ascentfunding.com/college-loans/">https://www.ascentfunding.com/college-loans/</a>
	1-866-999-0254	<a href="https://www.citizensbank.com/student-loans/private-student-loans">https://www.citizensbank.com/student-loans/private-student-loans</a>
	1-888-601-2801	<a href="https://www.earnest.com/student-loans">https://www.earnest.com/student-loans</a>
	1-877-304-9302	<a href="https://www.navyfederal.org/loans-cards/student-loans">https://www.navyfederal.org/loans-cards/student-loans</a>
	1-844-268-2203	<a href="https://www.iowastudentloan.org/private-student-loans/">https://www.iowastudentloan.org/private-student-loans/</a>
	1-800-562-8130	<a href="https://www.soundcu.com/personal/student-loans">https://www.soundcu.com/personal/student-loans</a>
	1-855-537-5457	<a href="https://www.funding-u.com/how-it-works">https://www.funding-u.com/how-it-works</a>
	1-833-499-2254	<a href="https://www.abestudentloans.com/student-loans/">https://www.abestudentloans.com/student-loans/</a>
	1-800-449-6332	<a href="https://www.mefa.org/paying-for-college/undergraduate-graduate-mefa-loans/">https://www.mefa.org/paying-for-college/undergraduate-graduate-mefa-loans/</a>