

UMKC SCHOOL OF NURSING and HEALTH STUDIES
Nurse Faculty Loan Program Application (NFLP)
2018-2019 Academic Year

Loan from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Bureau of Health Workforce

The Nurse Faculty Loan Program is a wonderful opportunity for graduate nursing students who wish to educate the next generation of nurses. The program offers partial loan forgiveness for borrowers who graduate and serve as full-time nursing faculty for the prescribed period of time. Loan recipients may cancel 85 percent of the loan over four years in return for serving full time as faculty in any accredited school of nursing. Read more.

Step 1: Eligibility and Process – (Please read each criteria carefully.)

- A current and completed FAFSA must be on record with UMKC Financial Aid and Scholarship Office, even if you don't plan to use the money, students must not be in default of any loans.
- NFLP Borrowers must be a citizen or national of the U.S. or a lawful resident permanent resident.
- Students accepted to any UMKC graduate program in nursing (MSN-Nurse Educator, DNP or PhD) in good standing may apply.
- Priority to full time students: 9 credit hours each Fall AND Spring semester.
- Enrollment cannot drop below 5 credit hours ANY semester (the only exception is if student is taking dissertation hours).
- Students must have prior NFLP funding to receive support during the dissertation/capstone phase.
- Students must maintain enrollment for a minimum of 2 consecutive semesters (either full-or part time) during an academic year that NFLP loan support is awarded. The only exception is if the student graduates.
- Students must complete the education coursework component to prepare nurse faculty which means 6 credit hours of nurse educator coursework. This nurse educator coursework cannot replicate the content of prior nurse educator courses; and, prior nurse educator or education courses from another degree do not satisfy this requirement. All nursing education courses must occur in and within the degree program for which the NFLP funding is awarded.
- In some programs this will be an additional 6 credit hours added to student's plan of study & must be completed PRIOR to graduation. Please report the status of your education courses when asked below.
- Students cannot "switch" plans of study within semesters and as a result go below the minimum required hours; nor can they decide to increase hours as the grant won't pay.
- All students must be in, and remain in, good academic standing according to UMKC School of Nursing and Health Studies and the NFLP grant will be made annually for the period required to complete the course of study, not to exceed 5 years.
- Within 12 months post-graduation students must establish employment as a full-time faculty at an accredited U.S. school of nursing for 4 consecutive years. Employment verification must be submitted within the 12-month period. Up to 85% of the principal & interest of the loan will be forgiven. You remain responsible for 15% of the loan once this criteria is satisfied. If employment as full-time faculty is not obtained, after 9 months, the prevailing market interest rate will apply to the loan and repayment will be required.
- Students must agree to stay in contact with UMKC School of Nursing & Health Studies as well as UMKC's Loan Servicer (ECSI) during the entire period of the loan repayment regarding employment after graduation and with other information that may be required.
- *You will be required to complete and sign additional forms, including a promissory note each semester or per distribution, issued from the UMKC Financial Aid and Scholarship Office so please respond in a timely manner as no funds will be released until all processes are completed. In addition, should your academic status change once you accept NFLP funds you are obligated to notify the UMKC Financial Aid and Scholarship Office in writing within 5 days of any change.*

I have read, understand, and will abide by all the above bulleted points if I receive NFLP funding.

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NFLP borrowers may be employed as nurse faculty (i.e., teaching capacity) at a post-secondary college or university of higher education to teach nursing programs at any program level. This includes licensed practical or vocational nursing programs, associate degree nursing programs, master's degree nursing programs, and doctoral degree nursing programs.

- Following graduation from the nursing education program, NFLP borrowers may receive partial loan cancellation upon establishing employment as full-time nurse faculty at an accredited school of nursing, and providing documentation attesting to such employment.
- "Nurse Faculty" is defined as an academic educator or academic/clinical educator role.
- Prior to FY2017, under NFLP, a part-time faculty role, part-time clinical instructor role or non-academic role does not meet the faculty employment requirement, and "Full-time" nurse faculty employment is defined by the employer of the borrower.
- Starting with FY2017, under NFLP, "Full-time" nurse faculty employment is defined by the employer of the borrower and may include being employed as a full-time faculty member position in an accredited school of nursing or being employed as a part-time faculty member at an accredited school of nursing in combination with another part-time faculty position or part-time clinical preceptor position affiliated with an accredited school of nursing that together equates to full-time employment.
- NFLP borrowers, following graduation, must submit certification of employment to the lending institution within a reasonable timeframe as determined by the lending institution. A sample certification of employment form is provided as EXHIBIT D. At a minimum, the certification of employment must state the date the borrower began full-time employment as nurse faculty in accordance with the terms of the NFLP Promissory Note and must be signed and dated by the borrower.

IMPORTANT NOTE: NFLP borrowers are responsible for submitting the certification of employment forms to the institution (the lending school) in order to determine the interest rate applicable to the unpaid loan balance. Institutions must advise the borrower of this instruction during the exit interview process. • Leave during Employment – Paid or unpaid leave needs to be consistent with the institution's policy and is subject to supervisory approval.

- Changing Employment – A reasonable period of time to change from one place of employment to another does not constitute a break in employment.

NFLP borrowers must notify the lending institution of termination of full-time employment as faculty within 30 days after the last day of such employment, and the lending institution must then place the borrower back into repayment with installment payment(s) payable to the lending institution according to the borrower's repayment schedule.

I have read and maintained a copy of the current year NFLP Administrative Guidelines.

These documents can be found at:

<https://bhw.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/bhw/nflpadministrativeguidance.pdf>

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

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Academic Program:

MSN (APRN) to DNP Program (Must complete 2 Nurse Educator courses)

BSN to DNP Program (Must complete 2 Nurse Educator courses) List NP Option _____

PhD Program (Must complete 2 Nurse Educator courses as collaterals)

MSN Program (Must complete 2 Nurse Educator courses) List NP Option _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Total Credit Hours Planned: FS 2018 _____ SP 2019 _____ SS 2019 _____

(*Important Note: Distribution amounts will be based on above credit hours. Please list accurate number of hours.)

Have you received NFLP fund prior to this year? Yes No

If Yes how many years? One [] Two Three Four Five

An NFLP application is required each time you receive funding. As you complete your six credit hours of education coursework for this NFLP grant, please list them here.

1. _____
Course Title Semester/Term Completed Grade Institution where completed

2. _____
Course Title Semester/Term Completed Grade Institution where completed