Student Loan Flow Charts

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Do you have a Public or Private Student Loan?

You received your student loan from a non-governmental (non-public) lender such as a bank and the federal government did not guarantee the lender that it would get paid even if you did not pay.

You received your student loan directly from the federal government (U.S. Department of Education).

You received your student loan from a non-governmental (non-public) lender such as a private bank, but the federal government did guarantee the lender that it would get paid even if you did not pay.

Private Student Loan Public/Federal Student Loan (The William Ford Federal Direct Loan Program type) Public/Federal Student Loan (FFELP - The Federal Family Education Loan Program type)







