If you have not yet completed the steps (outlined below) required to apply for your loans, please do so immediately.

Federal Stafford Loan

In order to receive your Stafford Loan, you should have first returned your Stafford Loan Request Form and faxed it to 213-821-3717 with the appropriate cover sheet. Students who have not previously borrowed a Stafford Loan at USC Law School should have received a Master Promissory Note (MPN) in the mail, and returned it directly to their lender. This promissory note will remain valid for each remaining year that you borrow a Stafford Loan through the same lender while attending USC Law School. The Stafford Loan Request Form as well as the fax cover sheets can be obtained by logging into “My Fin Aid & Documents” at www.usc.edu/finaid.

Graduate PLUS/ or Private Loan

In order to receive your Federal Graduate PLUS Loan/or Private Loan, you should have first applied directly on the website of your selected lender. These loans require approval based upon the borrowers credit history therefore those students who have been approved and who have not previously borrowed a Graduate PLUS Loan/or Private Loan at USC Law School, or students who have changed lenders this year, should have received a Master Promissory Note (MPN) in the mail, and returned it directly to their lender. This promissory note will remain valid for each remaining year that you borrow a Graduate PLUS Loan/or Private Loan through the same lender while attending USC Law School.

Entrance Counseling

In addition, all first time Federal Stafford Loan borrowers at USC must complete “loan entrance counseling” prior to the funds being disbursed by the lender. The purpose of this session is to ensure that all borrowers are informed of their rights and responsibilities before they undertake the obligation of student loans. You may complete entrance counseling online at www.edfund.org. From the home page click on "EdTEST", proceed through the pages, being sure to read all text and answer all questions. Once you have successfully completed the online entrance counseling, a confirmation will be automatically forwarded to the Law School Financial Aid Office. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the entrance counseling requirement as early as possible. If you wait until the last minute your Stafford Loan will be delayed as it takes a week or more for these funds to be disbursed to the school once this requirement is met.