

Screening Questionnaire- Student Loans

1. Do you know whether your student loans are federal or private?
2. What are your goals with respect to your student loan(s)?
3. Are you making payments on your student loans?
4. If yes, how much?
5. Do you know what type of payment plan you are in?
6. If no, how long has it been since you have made a payment?
7. If you have federal loans, do you have user name and password for NSLDS- (this is the government database of all federal student loans)? Yes _____ No _____

[Advocate note:

- **If clinic participant know their log in, you can log on and look at NSLDS with them for information about federal loans, including whether in default, balance, loan holder, servicer etc. <https://studentaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>**
- **If they do not have a log in already, creating one can be somewhat time consuming- so check with your supervisor after finishing questionnaire]**

8. Do you have private student loan(s)? Yes _____ No _____ I Don't know _____
9. What is the name of the company trying to collect your loans? _____

10. Have you experience any of the following collection methods:
 - a. Tax returns seized?
 - b. Social Security Offset?
 - c. Wage Garnishment?

11. What schools did you attend? (List all, please separate if necessary)

School(s): _____

Dates attended (approximate ok):

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Did you complete? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, what credential did you obtain?

12. Are you disabled? Yes _____ No _____

Are you able to work full time?

13. Do you receive disability payments from any source?

14. Did your school(s) close when you were attending or after you left?

[Advocate Note: You can find school/campus closure dates here to check the program (or google PEPs closed school):

<https://www2.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/PEPS/docs/closedschoolsearch.xlsx>]

15. Did you have a high school diploma or GED when you enrolled? Yes ___ No ___

a. If no, were you given an admission test? Yes ___ No _____

16. Do you have reason to believe any of these loans are not your loans or that you did not sign for them? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, describe:

17. Is there some reason you can't use the degree you got from school? (e.g. have a conviction that prevents you from becoming licensed in field you student.)

18. Did you withdraw from school prior to completion of a semester or quarter? Yes ___
_____ No _____
If yes, did you receive a refund? Yes _____ No ___ Don't know _____

19. Have you previously filed for bankruptcy? Yes _____ No _____

20. Were student loans listed on the prior bankruptcy petition? Yes _____ No ___ Don't know _____

21. Are you currently considering filing for bankruptcy? Yes _____ No _____

22. Did anyone working for your school make false statements, or fail to give you important information about the school? Please describe.

23. Did you receive false information about:

- a. Job placement rates or prospects?
- b. Assistance with job placement
- c. Availability of externships?
- d. How much you program would cost?
- e. How much money you would make after you graduated?
- f. Whether you were taking out loans or grants?
- g. Whether credits would be transferable?
- h. Push you to enroll quickly?

24. Has anyone called or emailed you to offer your assistance with student loan forgiveness?

- a. Have you ever paid anyone to help you with your student loans?
- b. Please describe.

II. Private Loan Section

(Gather information separately for each private loan, including institutional loans)

1. Who is your loan holder? I.e. who is sending the bills?
2. Are you making payments? Yes ___ No _____
3. Have you been sued? Yes _____ No ___ Don't know __
4. When was the last payment you made?
5. Is there a co-signer? Yes _____ No _____
If yes, describe your relation to them.
6. Are you a co-signer? Yes ___ No _____ If yes, who is the primary obligor (and what is their relation to you?):
7. Do you have copies of your loan agreements? Yes _____ No _____
8. If no, have you requested copies? Yes ___ No _____
9. Do you have online accounts to view your account information? Yes _____ No _

10. Were you at least 18 years old when you signed the loan documents? Yes ___ No ___
Don't know _____
11. Are you disabled?
12. Are you a veteran