

All Graduate students are required to complete the Graduate Student Financial Aid Application

Instructions for completing this form:

Complete the Aid Request Chart with both the number of credit hours that you intend to register for each semester and the amount of loans and/or work-study that you anticipate needing for each semester. You must be registered for at least 6 credit hours or ESM 999 (register dissertation) to be eligible for federal loans.

- If you are unsure about the amount of funding you will need, then estimate. You may decline or reduce your loan(s) within 30 days of the disbursement date (which is generally 10 days before the start of each term). Additionally, you can increase your loan amount, **up to your eligibility**, at any point during a semester.
- Please note that there is no tuition charge for ALC 280Z, 290Z or 400 level courses. If you register for any of these courses, it is best for you inform our office immediately since you cannot receive federal aid for courses that have no tuition charge.

Students registering for Summer Session:

- To apply for Summer Aid, you **MUST** include a copy of your registration form or a copy of your on-line registration. You will receive aid for attending the exact classes listed on your registration form. Should you change your summer registration you **MUST** contact the Financial Aid Office immediately and you must provide us with a copy of your new summer registration.

General Information and Instruction Sheet

The Eastman School of Music provides financial support for its graduate students through the Graduate Award program. Most graduates require additional financial aid to enable them to study at Eastman. Federal financial aid is available through the Federal Direct Subsidized, Unsubsidized and Graduate PLUS Loans, Federal Work-Study. Detailed information about these programs is available at www.esm.rochester.edu/financialaid/grad.php. All Graduate Awards are administered by Dr Marie Rolf in the Office of Graduate Studies. All questions regarding Graduate Awards should be directed to the Office of Graduate Studies.

Federal Aid: Domestic students considered for Federal Aid (federal student loans and work-study) must:

- Be registered for at least half time status each semester (at least 6 credit hours or ESM 999) to receive loans. Students must be full-time to receive Federal Work-Study funds.
- Have made satisfactory academic progress towards the completion of their degree.
- Complete all necessary applications and return all required documentation.

Documents and Applications Required:

- A completed **2008-09 Graduate Student Financial Aid Application** (including a **copy of your summer registration** if applicable.)
- A **2008-09 FAFSA**, which can be completed on the web using your (and your spouse's) 2007 Federal Tax Returns (www.fafsa.ed.gov). Please, make sure to use Eastman's Federal School Code, **008124**, (**Not** the University of Rochester) in the school selection portion of the application.
- A **2008-09 Independent Verification Worksheet**.
- **SIGNED** copies of your (and your spouse's) **Federal 2007 Tax Returns** including all schedules and forms.
- **Copies of ALL of your (and your spouse's) 2007 W-2 forms, 1099**

Graduate PLUS (domestic students only) & Private Loans:

1. **Graduate PLUS:** complete the Graduate PLUS application and submit to Financial Aid office.
 2. **Private Loans:** please visit www.esm.rochester.edu/financialaid/loans.php#private or speak to a Financial Aid Counselor in the Financial Aid Office.
- **International Students are required to have a U.S. citizen or an eligible permanent resident as a co-applicant**

2008-09 GRADUATE STUDENT FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

General Information

Name (Last, First) _____ Student ID # _____

Local Address (street, city, state, zip code, home ph#)
(_____) _____

Cell phone Number _____ Email Address _____

Citizenship Status (check one)

- United States Citizen
 Alien in Permanent Residence
 International

Academic Information

Degree Program: _____ Major: _____
 Instrument: _____
 Expected date of graduation: _____

Domestic Students

	# of Credit hours	Subsidized Loan	Unsubsidized Loan	Federal Work Study	Graduate PLUS Loan
Summer 2008 (include copy of registration)					
Fall 2008					
Spring 2009					
Total not to exceed:	xxxxxxxxxxx	\$8,500	\$12,000	\$2,000	Up to COA

(Please enter a zero in the credit hours boxes if you will not be registering for any credit-bearing courses)

International Students

	# of Credit hours
Summer 2008 (include copy of registration)	
Fall 2008	
Spring 2009	
Total not to exceed:	xxxxxxxxxxx

Additional Registration Information

Will you register for lessons?

460A (1 hour): Fall _____ Spring _____
 430A (1/2 hour): Fall _____ Spring _____
 460 (1 hour): Fall _____ Spring _____

Will you register for 999?

999-Registered Dissertation: Fall _____ Spring _____

Will you register for any 400 level, 280Z and/or 290Z ALC (Arts Leadership Curriculum) courses that do NOT carry a tuition charge?

How many credits per semester? Fall _____ Spring _____

Signature: By signing below, you certify that all of the information above is true and complete to the best of your knowledge. You also certify that you are not in default on any Federal Student Loans or Alternative Loans.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this completed application to the Eastman School of Music Financial Aid Office.