OTHER LOAN OPTIONS FOR DACA STUDENTS

We invite you to research other loan products to find the lowest cost, most student-friendly option for your degree and institution. Below are select examples of other loan options for DACA students.¹

- **MPOWER Financing**
  - No cosigner or credit history required.
  - Must be admitted to one of 400+ MPOWER partner schools and be within 2 years of graduating.

- **Ascent**
  - Option for cosigned or non-cosigned loans with general graduate school loans as well as specific loan products for business school, medical fields, law school, and dental school.

- **Discover**
  - U.S. citizen or permanent resident cosigner required for DACA students.
  - General graduate school loans and specific loan products for business school, health professions, law.

- **Self-Help**
  - Co-signer required for borrowers that do not have sufficient income at application to qualify.
  - Must be enrolled full-time at a qualifying medical school.

- **Earnest**
  - Option for cosigned or non-cosigned loans for DACA students.
  - Social Security Number required with a minimum FICO score of 650 and no adverse credit history.

### Tips for Researching other Loan Options

- When evaluating other loan options, **always compare the annual percentage rate (APR), or annual rate of interest charged to borrowers**, to understand the true yearly cost of funds over the term of a loan. The APR is a bottom-line number that can easily be compared with rates from other lenders.

- **Understand the terms and conditions of the loan.** How long will you have to pay back the loan? What are the repayment options? Are there any deferment options for when you are in-school, in a residency program, or have a temporary hardship? What are the terms of deferment?

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¹ Information contained in this slide is based on publicly available information from each of the above-listed lenders’ sites at the time this document was created. Please independently verify the terms, conditions, and eligibility criteria for each lender, which are subject to change.