

# GRADUATION & STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT

## Unsure of the next steps after graduation? Here is a quick checklist for you!

#### **Exit Counseling**

- Exit counseling helps you prepare for the repayment of your federal loans, which typically begins 6 months after graduation
- Log into studentaid.gov with your FSA ID and password (same one you used for FAFSA)
- You are required to complete Exit Counseling by December 15th



#### **Viewing Loan Details**

- Log into <u>studentaid.gov</u> to:
  - Check your federal loan balances (how much you borrowed)
  - See your repayment options
  - o Identify your federal loan servicer the company that helps you manage your loans
    - Each loan servicer will have a different website
    - Create an account through the link to your servicer on studentaid.gov
- If you borrowed through a private lender, contact your lender for loan details

### Repayment/Forgiveness

- You can explore repayment plan options for federal loans at <a href="mailto:studentaid.gov/manage-loans/repayment/plans">studentaid.gov/manage-loans/repayment/plans</a>
- If you are eligible you may be able to have your federal loans forgiven, cancelled, or discharged
  - Go to <u>studentaid.gov/manage-loans/forgiveness-cancellation</u> for information on specific loan forgiveness programs
- If you borrowed through a private lender, contact your lender for repayment options





#### Budgeting

- Go to studentaid.gov/budgeting for resources on budgeting during and after college
- There are also resources on <u>creating a budget</u> and preparing yourself for financial stability after college