



# DIRECT STUDENT LOAN ENTRANCE AND EXIT COUNSELING

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## **Entrance Counseling:**

At Thomas Aquinas College we require first-time federal Direct Student Loan borrowers to complete their loan entrance counseling on-line at <https://studentaid.gov/>. (Select *Loans and Grants* on the gray menu bar and click on “Loan Entrance Counseling”.)

## **Exit Counseling:**

Loan exit information is provided in the final semester of the school year to all graduating seniors with federal Direct Student Loans as well as to any student who has borrowed a Direct Student Loan and who withdraws before completing the program. Exiting students are asked to complete the on-line loan exit counseling session at <https://studentaid.gov/>. (Select *Loan Repayment* on the gray menu bar and click on “Loan Exit Counseling”.)

When completing exit counseling, the student will be asked to provide updated contact information as well as the name, address and phone number of his next of kin, two references and anticipated employer, if applicable.

After a student has completed an on-line entrance or exit counseling session, an automatic confirmation is sent to the College’s financial aid office to indicate that the student has completed the session.