

Congratulations on your admission to Caltech! We are excited that you will be joining our community shortly and would like to share some information that may be of interest as you plan financially for your transition to Caltech.

As indicated in your letter of admission, students are paid either by direct deposit or a check with paydays on or about the 26th of each month for the pay period corresponding to that month. The first pay date for students matriculating in the fall term (September 28) will be October 26, 2015. For many students, relocating can incur unexpected costs and often presents a financial burden.

Therefore, Caltech is offering a 0% interest New Graduate Student Start-Up loan of \$2,500. New students interested in applying for the loan should complete the attached response form and return via email to gradofc@caltech.edu no later than **July 22, 2015**. In August, you will be instructed how to go online and complete the loan documents. The funds will be disbursed through the Bursar's Office starting on September 21, 2015.

The terms of the loan are as follows:

- 1) Only new graduate students are eligible to apply
- 2) One loan per student, paid in one disbursement
- 3) Loan amount = \$2,500
- 4) 0% interest
- 5) Repayment will begin April 1, and will be spread out over the next 18 months
- 6) The loan is due in full in the case of separation from the Institute

For students who elect to apply for the loan, please be sure to update access.caltech with a mobile phone number and a secondary emergency contact phone number using the student login instructions you received from the Registrar's Office. If you have a US Social Security number (SSN), but did not provide this on your application for admission, please call the Registrar's Office at 626-395-6297 for instructions on updating your student record. A SSN is needed in order to disburse the loan. For international students who do not have a SSN, International Student Programs will provide you with instructions on obtaining a SSN after you arrive at Caltech.

If you have any questions regarding the terms of the loan, please feel free to contact the Graduate Studies Office via email gradofc@caltech.edu or by phone 626-395-6346.



Joseph E. Shepherd
Dean of Graduate Studies

Enclosure



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Caltech UID _____

Last/Family Name _____ First Name _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

Contact Information

Email _____ *Mobile Phone # _____

Street Address 1 _____

Street Address 2 _____

City _____ State/Province _____

ZIP/Postal Code _____ Country (if other than USA) _____

Until _____

I am interested in applying for the New Graduate Student Start-Up Loan of \$2,500

Yes

No

If yes, please indicate your estimated annual household income level

\$24,000 to \$29,999

\$30,000 and above

*If available, please use a U.S. phone number. Otherwise, use an international number and update your phone number via access.caltech upon arrival or as soon as possible.

Return by **July 22, 2015** to: gradofc@caltech.edu, FAX 626-577-9246, or 1200 East California Boulevard, Mail Code 230-87, Pasadena, CA 91125