Loan Comparison Chart

General Information	Federal Loan	Alternative Private Loans
Lender:	Federal Government	
Loan product:	Parent or Graduate PLUS Loan	
Website:	https://studentaid.gov/plus-app/	
Phone Number:	1-800-433-3243	
How to apply?:	Online	
Information gathered for the year:	2024-2025	
Application Rquirements, Rates, & Fees		
Maximum yearly amount?	Up to cost of attendance	
Interest rate?	9.08%	
Interest rate fixed?	Yes	
Interest accrue while in school?	Yes	
Interest capitalized? How often?	One time, at repayment	
Processing/origination fee?	Yes, 4.228%	
Other fee?	No	
Cosigner required?	No, depends on credit	
Repayment		
Repayment start date?	60 days after loan is fully disbursed	
Options for payment deferment?	Yes	
Length of repayment?	10 years	
Options to extend repayment?	Yes	
Options for forbearance?	Yes	
Income-based repayment option?	Yes	
Penalities for early repayment?	No	
Interest rate reduction?	No	
Consolidation options?	Yes, federal consolidation	
Cosigner release option?	No	
Other Questions		
Satisfactory academic progress required?	Yes	
Half-time enrollment required?	Yes	
Enrollment in a degree seeking program required?	Yes	
US citizenship required?	Yes	
Applicable to prior year balance?	No	

Additional Notes:

