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# Acronyms



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| <b>ACA</b>     | Administrative Cost Allowance                            |
| <b>ACH/EFT</b> | Automated Clearinghouse/Electronic Funds Transfer        |
| <b>ACN</b>     | Audit Control Number                                     |
| <b>ADB</b>     | Average Daily Balance                                    |
| <b>ADL</b>     | Anticipated Disbursement Listing                         |
| <b>ADR</b>     | Actual Disbursement Roster                               |
| <b>AGI</b>     | Adjusted Gross Income                                    |
| <b>AI</b>      | Available Income   |
| <b>ANN</b>     | Announcement <i>Dear Colleague Letter</i>                |
| <b>AICPA</b>   | American Institute of Certified Public Accountants       |
| <b>APR</b>     | Annual Percentage Rate                                   |
| <b>ATB</b>     | Ability to Benefit                                       |
| <b>AVR</b>     | Automated Voice Response                                 |
| <b>AY</b>      | Academic Year (may refer to Award Year in some contexts) |
| <b>BBAY</b>    | Borrower Based Academic Year                             |
| <b>BIA</b>     | Bureau of Indian Affairs                                 |
| <b>CAP</b>     | Corrective Action Plan                                   |
| <b>CB</b>      | Campus-Based   |
| <b>CBT</b>     | Computer Based Training                                  |
| <b>CDR</b>     | Cohort Default Rate                                      |
| <b>CEO</b>     | Chief Executive Officer                                  |
| <b>CFDA</b>    | Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance                   |
| <b>CFL</b>     | Current Funding Level                                    |
| <b>CFO</b>     | Chief Fiscal/Financial Officer                           |
| <b>CFR</b>     | Code of Federal Regulations                              |
| <b>CMT</b>     | Case Management Team (now School Participation Team)     |
| <b>COA</b>     | Cost of Attendance                                       |
| <b>COD</b>     | Common Origination and Disbursement                      |
| <b>COH</b>     | Cash on Hand   |
| <b>COO</b>     | Chief Operating Officer                                  |

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| <b>CPA</b>     | Certified Public Accountant   |
| <b>CPS</b>     | Central Processing System   |
| <b>CR</b>      | Credit  |
| <b>CS/JLD</b>  | Community Service Job Location and Development (Program)                    |
| <b>CSC</b>     | Customer Service Center   |
| <b>CSR</b>     | Customer Service Representative   |
| <b>CSL</b>     | Community Service Learning (Program)  |
| <b>DB</b>      | Debit   |
| <b>DCL</b>     | Dear Colleague Letter   |
| <b>DCS</b>     | Debt Collection Service (in ED) now Borrower Services, Collections          |
| <b>DHS</b>     | Department of Homeland Security   |
| <b>DOJ</b>     | Department of Justice   |
| <b>DL</b>      | Direct Loan   |
| <b>DLSC</b>    | Direct Loan Servicing Center  |
| <b>DMRS</b>    | (Treasury Department) Deposit Message Retrieval System                      |
| <b>DOB</b>     | Date of Birth   |
| <b>DPA</b>     | Destination Point Administrator   |
| <b>DRAP</b>    | Default Reduction Assistance Program  |
| <b>DRI</b>     | Disbursement Release Indicator  |
| <b>DRN</b>     | Data Release Number   |
| <b>D-U-N-S</b> | Data Universal Numbering System (by Dun & Bradstreet)                       |
| <b>E-App</b>   | Electronic Application to Participate (in the Federal Student Aid Programs) |
| <b>EAC</b>     | Electronic Access Conference  |
| <b>eCFR</b>    | Electronic Code of Federal Regulations                                      |
| <b>eMPN</b>    | Electronic Master Promissory Note   |
| <b>ECAR</b>    | Eligibility and Certification Approval Report                               |
| <b>ED</b>      | United States Department of Education                                       |
| <b>EDCAPS</b>  | Education Central Automated Processing System                               |
| <b>EDE</b>     | Electronic Data Exchange  |
| <b>EDGAR</b>   | Education Department General Administrative Regulations                     |
| <b>EDP</b>     | Electronic Data Processing  |
| <b>EFA</b>     | Estimated Financial Assistance  |
| <b>EFC</b>     | Expected Family Contribution  |
| <b>EFT</b>     | Electronic Funds Transfer (see also <i>ACH/EFT</i> )                        |
| <b>EIN</b>     | Employer Identification Number  |
| <b>ESAR</b>    | Electronic Student Aid Report   |

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| <b>E-SIGN</b>  | Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act              |
| <b>ESOA</b>    | Electronic Statement of Account  |
| <b>FAA</b>     | Financial Aid Administrator  |
| <b>FADL</b>    | Final Audit Determination Letter                                       |
| <b>FAFSA</b>   | Free Application for Federal Student Aid                               |
| <b>FAO</b>     | Financial Aid Office (also, Officer)                                   |
| <b>FASB</b>    | Financial Accounting Standards Board                                   |
| <b>FAT</b>     | Financial Aid Transcript   |
| <b>FCC</b>     | Federal Capital Contribution   |
| <b>FDDL/DL</b> | The William D. Ford Federal Direct Student Loan Program                |
| <b>FEDWIRE</b> | The Federal Reserve Communications System's Fund Transfer System       |
| <b>FERPA</b>   | Family Education Rights and Privacy Act                                |
| <b>FFELP</b>   | Federal Family Education Loan Program                                  |
| <b>FISAP</b>   | Fiscal Operations Report and Application to Participate                |
| <b>FMS</b>     | Financial Aid Management System  |
| <b>FOIA</b>    | Freedom of Information Act   |
| <b>FOTW</b>    | FAFSA on the Web   |
| <b>FP</b>      | Financial Partners Dear Colleague Letter                               |
| <b>FPL</b>     | Federal Perkins Loan [Program]   |
| <b>FPRD</b>    | Final Program Review Determination (letter)                            |
| <b>FRB</b>     | Federal Reserve Bank   |
| <b>FRCS</b>    | Federal Reserve Communications System                                  |
| <b>FS</b>      | Financial Services (in the U. S. Department of Education)              |
| <b>FSA</b>     | Federal Student Aid, a principal office of the Department of Education |
| <b>FSEOG</b>   | Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant Program             |
| <b>FT</b>      | Full Time  |
| <b>FWS</b>     | Federal Work-Study [Program]   |
| <b>FY</b>      | Fiscal Year  |
| <b>G</b>       | Guaranty Agency Dear Colleague Letter                                  |
| <b>GA</b>      | Guaranty Agency  |
| <b>GAAP</b>    | Generally Accepted Accounting Principles                               |
| <b>GAAS</b>    | Generally Accepted Auditing Standards                                  |
| <b>GAGAS</b>   | Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards                       |
| <b>GAO</b>     | Government Accountability Office (formerly General Accounting Office)  |
| <b>GAPS</b>    | Grant Administration and Payment System                                |
| <b>GAS</b>     | Government Auditing Standards  |

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| <b>GASB</b>     | Governmental Accounting Standards Board                                     |
| <b>GEAR UP</b>  | Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduates Program            |
| <b>GEN</b>      | General Dear Colleague Letter   |
| <b>GPA</b>      | Grade Point Average   |
| <b>GPO</b>      | Government Printing Office  |
| <b>HEA</b>      | Higher Education Act  |
| <b>HPSL</b>     | Health Professions Student Loan (Program)                                   |
| <b>ICC</b>      | Institutional Capital Contribution  |
| <b>IFAP</b>     | Information for Student Aid Professionals (Web Site)                        |
| <b>IG</b>       | Inspector General   |
| <b>IHE</b>      | Institution of Higher Education   |
| <b>IIS</b>      | Institutional Improvement Specialist  |
| <b>INS</b>      | Immigration and Naturalization Service (Now known as USCIS and part of DHS) |
| <b>IPA</b>      | Independent Public Auditor  |
| <b>IPEDS</b>    | Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System                              |
| <b>IRS</b>      | Internal Revenue Service  |
| <b>ISIR</b>     | Institutional Student Information Record                                    |
| <b>ISP</b>      | Internet Service Provider   |
| <b>JLD</b>      | Job Location and Development (Program)                                      |
| <b>L</b>        | FFEL Lender Dear Colleague Letter   |
| <b>LCC</b>      | Loan Consolidation Center   |
| <b>LD</b>       | Limited Distribution Dear Colleague Letter                                  |
| <b>LDA</b>      | Last Date of Attendance   |
| <b>LEAP</b>     | Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (Program)                     |
| <b>LOA</b>      | Leave of Absence  |
| <b>LOC</b>      | Direct Loan Origination Center <i>or</i> Letter of Credit                   |
| <b>LOE</b>      | Level of Expenditure in the Federal Perkins Loan Program                    |
| <b>MD&amp;A</b> | Management's Discussion and Analysis  |
| <b>MDE</b>      | Multiple Data Entry Processor   |
| <b>MPN</b>      | Master Promissory Note  |
| <b>MPN ID</b>   | The unique identifier printed on the MPN                                    |
| <b>MRR</b>      | Multiple Reporting Record   |
| <b>MY</b>       | Multi-Year  |
| <b>NACUBO</b>   | National Association of College and University Business Officer             |
| <b>NASFAA</b>   | National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators                |
| <b>NCES</b>     | National Center for Educational Statistics                                  |

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| <b>NDSL</b>   | National Direct Student Loan Program <i>or</i> National Defense Student Loan Program |
| <b>NFC</b>    | National Finance Center  |
| <b>NPRM</b>   | Notice of Proposed Rulemaking  |
| <b>NRM</b>    | Negotiated Rulemaking  |
| <b>NSF</b>    | Non-Sufficient Funds   |
| <b>NSLC</b>   | National Student Loan Clearinghouse  |
| <b>NSLDS</b>  | National Student Loan Data System  |
| <b>OC</b>     | Object Class / Objective Classification  |
| <b>OGC</b>    | Office of General Counsel  |
| <b>OHA</b>    | Office of Hearings and Appeals   |
| <b>OIG</b>    | Office of Inspector General  |
| <b>OMB</b>    | Office of Management and Budget  |
| <b>OPE</b>    | Office of Postsecondary Education (in the U.S. Department of Education)              |
| <b>OPE-ID</b> | Office of Postsecondary Education Identifier   |
| <b>P</b>      | Pell Dear Colleague Letter   |
| <b>P.L.</b>   | Public Law   |
| <b>P-Note</b> | Promissory Note  |
| <b>PA</b>     | Payment Analyst  |
| <b>PAN</b>    | Payee Account Number   |
| <b>PDF</b>    | Portable Document Format   |
| <b>PEPS</b>   | Postsecondary Education Participation System   |
| <b>PIN</b>    | Personal Identification Number   |
| <b>PJ</b>     | Professional Judgment  |
| <b>PLUS</b>   | Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students  |
| <b>POP</b>    | Potential Overaward  |
| <b>PPA</b>    | Program Participation Agreement  |
| <b>PRR</b>    | Program Review Report  |
| <b>QA</b>     | Quality Assurance <i>or</i> Quality Analysis   |
| <b>R2T4</b>   | Return of Title IV (Funds)   |
| <b>SAIG</b>   | Student Aid Internet Gateway (successor to TIV WAN)                                  |
| <b>SAP</b>    | Satisfactory Academic Progress   |
| <b>SAR</b>    | Student Aid Report   |
| <b>SAS</b>    | AICPA Statements on Auditing Standards   |
| <b>SAY</b>    | Scheduled Academic Year  |
| <b>SID</b>    | Student Identifier (COD)   |
| <b>SLEAP</b>  | Special Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (Program)                      |

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| <b>SOA</b>    | Statement of Account  |
| <b>SPT</b>    | School Participation Team (new name for Case Management Team)                     |
| <b>SSI</b>    | Supplemental Security Income  |
| <b>SSA</b>    | Social Security Administration  |
| <b>SSN</b>    | Social Security Number  |
| <b>SSAE</b>   | AICPA Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements                         |
| <b>SSCR</b>   | Student Status Confirmation Report  |
| <b>SSS</b>    | Student Support Services (A Title IV TRIO program, also Selective Service System) |
| <b>SY</b>     | Single Year Feature   |
| <b>TANF</b>   | Temporary Assistance for Needy Families   |
| <b>TFCS</b>   | Treasury Financial Communications System  |
| <b>TIN</b>    | Taxpayer Identification Number  |
| <b>TIV</b>    | Title IV of the HEA   |
| <b>U.S.C.</b> | United States Code  |
| <b>USCIS</b>  | U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (previously <i>INS</i> )                |
| <b>VA</b>     | Department of Veterans Affairs  |
| <b>YTD</b>    | Year-To-Date  |