



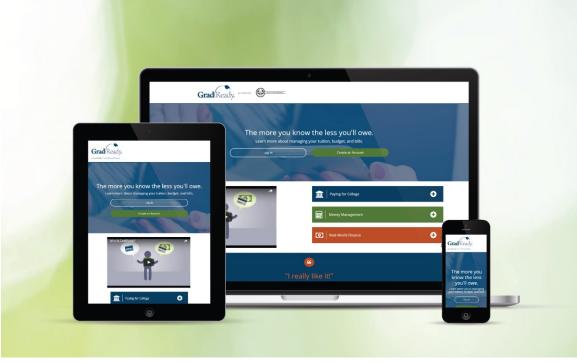
Top 10 Reasons

Why you need to get **GradReady®**



Need help managing your tuition, budget, or bills?

This money saving, student loan explaining site has great videos, tools, and resources to help you get real-world ready!

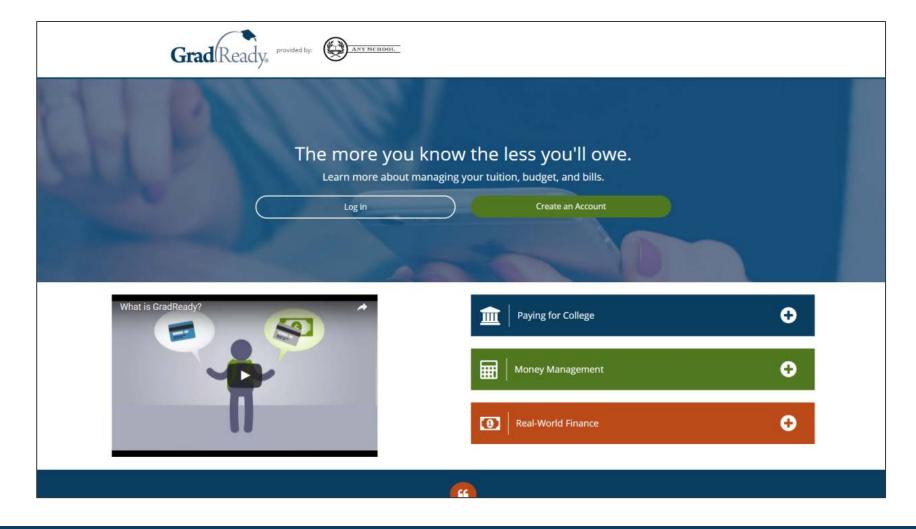


Number 10 Learn what you want, when you want.





Online and Open 24/7



Easy Account Creation

Create Account	
Please complete the following information to create a secure log in.	
Account Information	
Email	Confirm Email
Password	Confirm Password
Profile Information	
First Name	Last Name
Enrollment Status Select Enrollment Status	Student ID (Optional)
By creating an account I agree to the Terms of Use and Privacy Policy I agree - Continue	
Already have an account? Log in.	

Flexible and Easy to Navigate



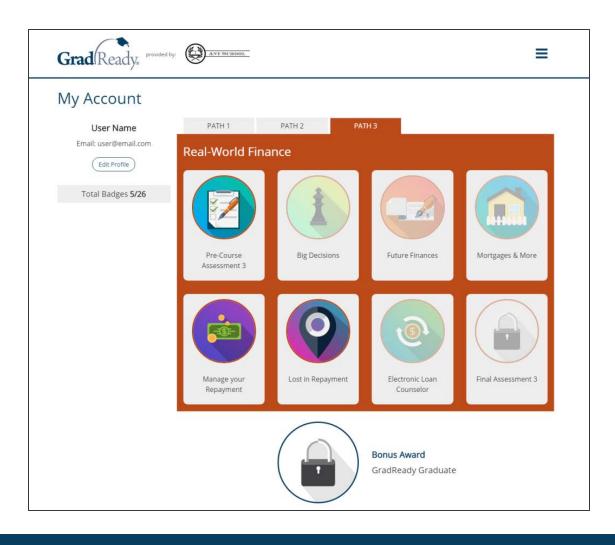
Pick a path that interests you today and revisit often.

Number 9 Watch your personal growth. Prove your financial smarts.





My Account



- The quizzes test your understanding of each specific topic.
- Take the Final
 Assessments to
 gauge how much
 you've learned
 within each path.

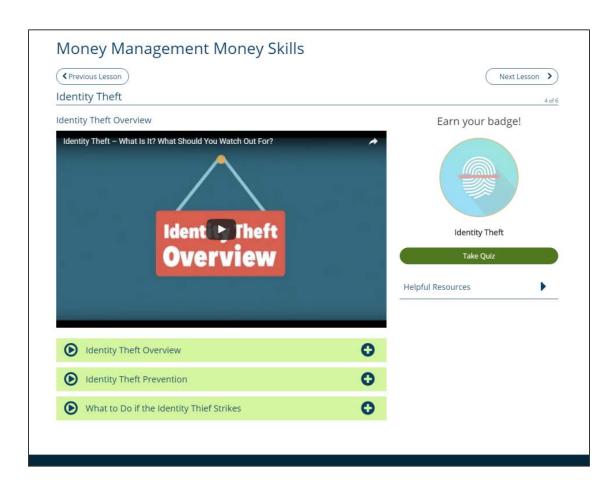
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Know how to build a shield of protection: Identity Theft





Identity Theft



- Learn how to protect yourself, so your credit stays strong.
- Get tips on how to fix identity theft if you've been victimized.

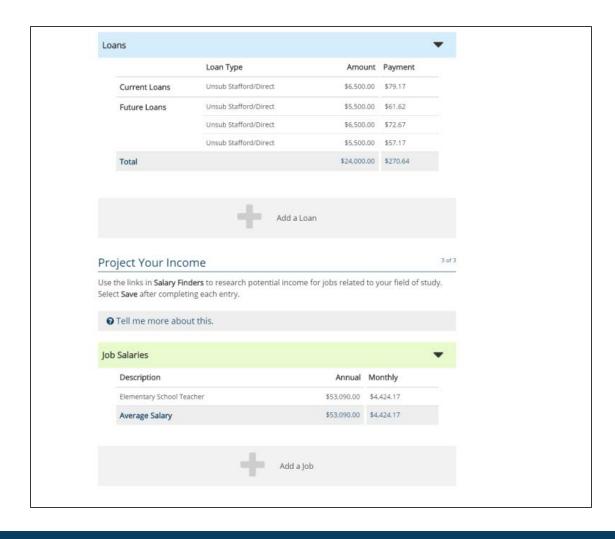
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Forecast your financial future: Debt-O-Meter



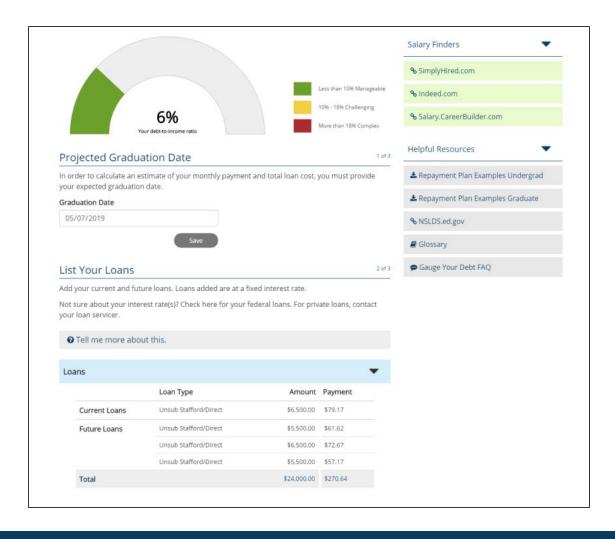


Debt-O-Meter



 Calculate your debt and gauge your future income.

Debt-O-Meter



- See if you'll be able to comfortably pay back your loans.
- Use the resources to help restructure your borrowing if you need to lower your debt load.

Debt-O-Meter



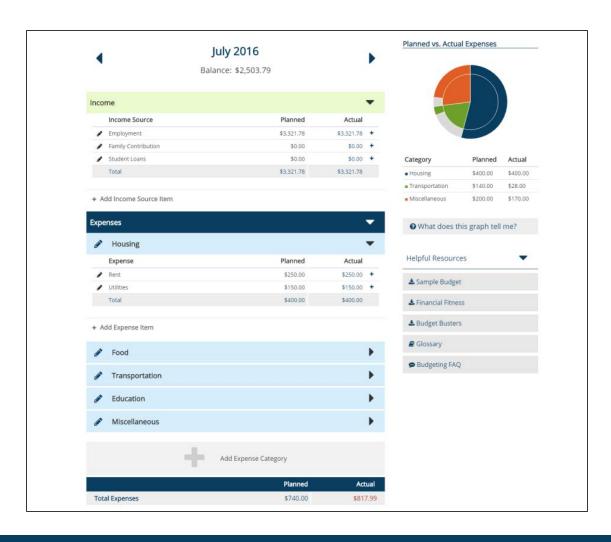
Check out the Helpful Resources for options for making your monthly payments more manageable.

Make a personalized financial plan: Budget





Budget



- Store and track your personalized budget.
- Focus on your spending.

Budget



Become financially fit with ways to trim your spending.

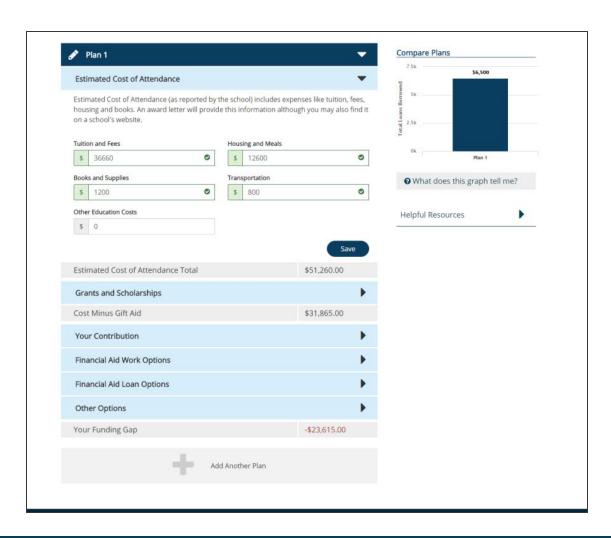
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Determine whether you need to borrow: Financing Plan





Financing Plan



- List your cost of attendance, grants and scholarships, and what you can contribute.
- See if you need to borrow and determine the best loans to cover the gap.

Financing Plan



Check out the Ladder of Smart Borrowing to determine the best loans for you.

Number 4

Understand your future buying power with a three-digit-number: Credit Score



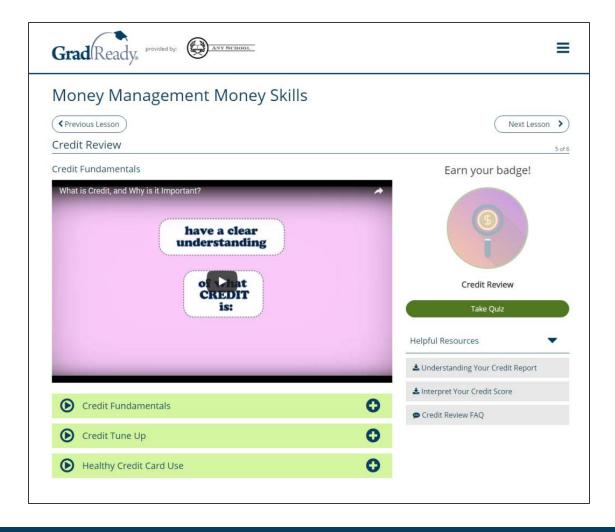


Credit Score



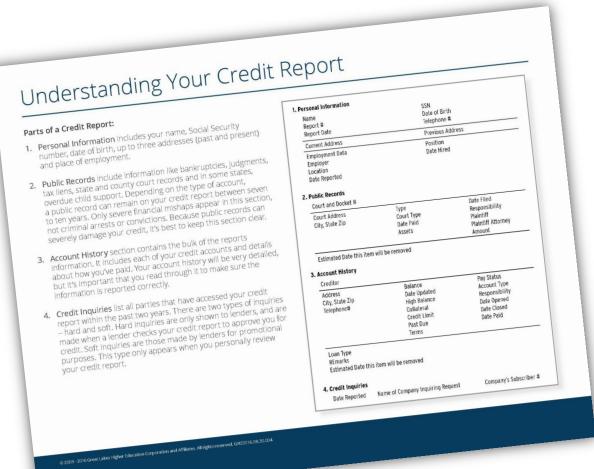
In Credit Basics, learn how to find and improve your score.

Credit Score



In Credit Review, learn about healthy credit card usage.

Credit Score



Find ideas on how to build and maintain good credit, so your credit score is strong when you need it.

Number 3

Look forward to a brighter future: jobs and life after college



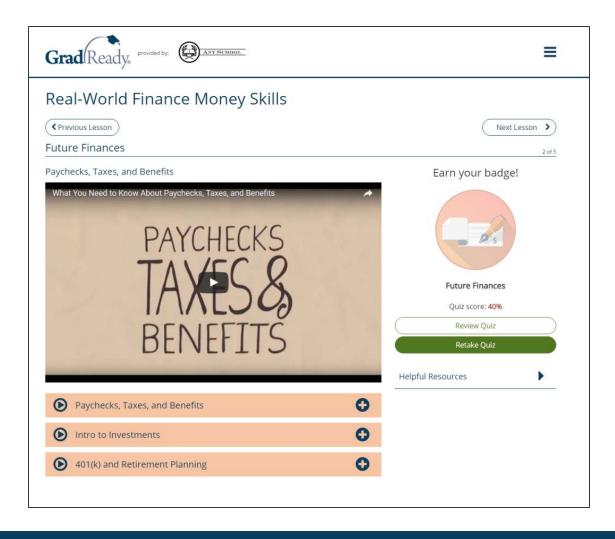


Jobs and Life After College



In Big Decisions, learn how to manage your job search and prepare for interviews.

Jobs and Life After College



In Future Finances, you will learn how to make good decisions about your future income.

Jobs and Life After College



Learn how to maximize your pay, benefits, and investments.

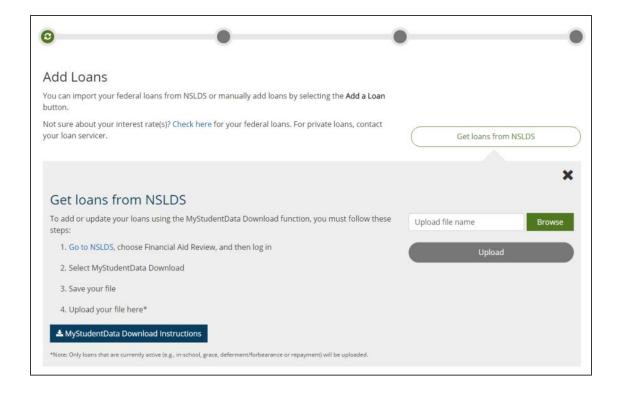
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Actively engage in student loan repayment: Electronic Loan Counselor (ELC)



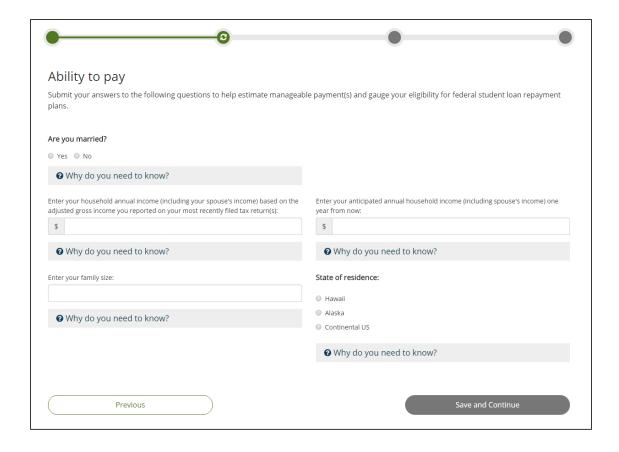


ELC: Add Loans



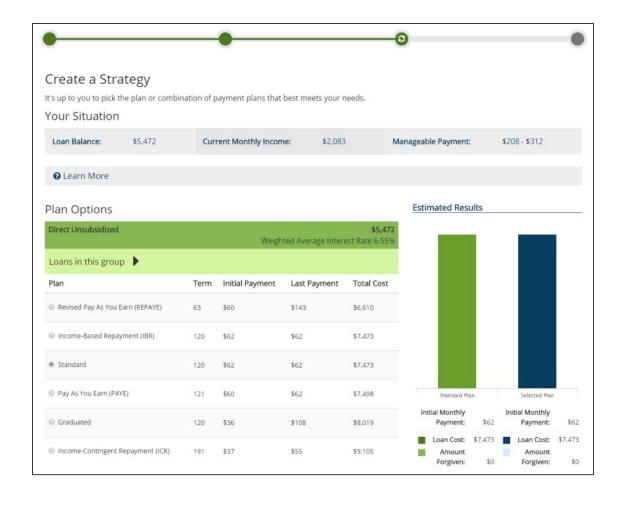
Download your loans from NSLDS to see how much you owe.

ELC: Ability to Pay



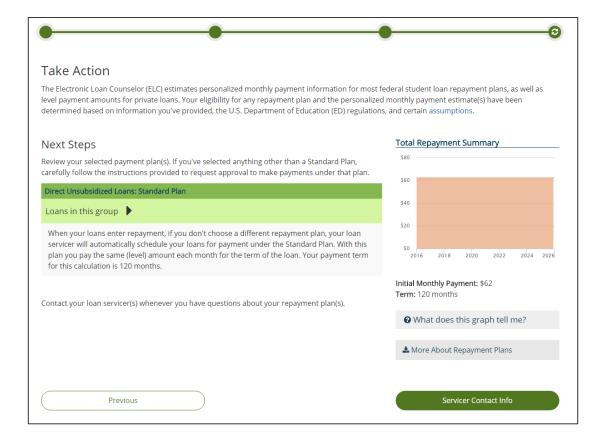
Answer questions to see what repayment plans fit your unique situation.

ELC: Create a Strategy



Pick a plan that best fits your situation.

ELC: Take Action



Take action and implement the plan.

Number 1

Empower yourself: Master student loan repayment





Master Student Loan Repayment



Contact your loan servicer to stay on top of your loans.

Master Student Loan Repayment



Understand loan consolidation and federal repayment plans.

Berkeley City College

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