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What You Need to Know!

Alaska Education Refinance Loan (REFI)

ACPE is committed to providing transparency when it comes to our suite of loans. On this fact sheet, you'll find all the information you need to make your decision to refinance your education loans!

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible borrowers can apply for an Alaska Education Refinance Loan (REFI) and may qualify even if their degree program was not finished. Through REFI, borrowers save money by consolidating their loans into one monthly payment.

To qualify for the REFI loan, you must:

- Be a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident; and
- Be an Alaska resident, or
 - Be a previous borrower, cosigner or beneficiary of an education loan with ACPE, or
 - Be a graduate of a high school or postsecondary institution physically located in Alaska;
- Be an obligated party or student beneficiary on the loan being refinanced; and
- Have a minimum FICO credit score of at least 680 or higher, or a cosigner who meets the FICO requirement.

INTEREST RATES

The REFI loan has a fixed interest rate for both the in-school and repayment periods. This means once your rate is set, it remains the same throughout the life of your loan. Unlike other private lenders, there are no origination or prepayment fees on the REFI. Please review My Rate for more information about REFI interest rates.

It's important to understand how your loan works – that's why we put together this FAQ for you. From explaining terms like Interest Rate and APR to Origination Fees and Rate Discounts, ACPE's smart Savings will answer your questions.