



Public Interest Loan Repayment Assistance Program

American University Washington College of Law is pleased to offer the Public Interest Loan Repayment Assistance Program (PILRAP) to WCL alumni who are serving the greater public through government and non-profit employment. PILRAP helps relieve economic burden imposed by educational debt by providing loan repayment assistance for JD graduates who work in full-time non-profit, or government in which the graduate is engaged in serving under-represented or traditionally marginalized populations.

PLEASE READ BEFORE COMPLETING THE PILRAP APPLICATION: In 2007, the Income-Based Repayment (IBR) federal student loan repayment option was created under the College Cost Reduction and Access Act. IBR assists borrowers to keep federal loan payments (Stafford and Grad PLUS loans) affordable with payment caps based on income and family size. For most eligible borrowers, IBR loan payments will be less than 10 percent of their income. IBR will forgive remaining debt, if any, after 25 years of qualifying payments. IBR is not applicable to private loan debt.

PILRAP applicants are strongly encouraged to learn more about IBR. In the future as IBR becomes a preferred loan repayment option, WCL may use IBR calculations to determine PILRAP awards. The potential result is a lower monthly loan payment and PILRAP assistance to cover a majority of each monthly payment for that calendar year.

To learn more about IBR, visit <http://www.wcl.american.edu/finaid/ccraa.cfm> or contact Public Interest Coordinator, Jarrod Shirk, at jshirk@wcl.american.edu or 202-274-4099.



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Application Deadline: October 30, 2009

Personal Information

(Please note: For identity protection purposes, the application no longer requests the applicant's social security number; the application now requests the applicant's AU ID number. The WCL Office of Financial Aid can assist applicants with determining their AU ID number if requested.)

Name _____ AU ID # _____ WCL Class _____

Mailing Address _____
Street _____ City _____ State / Zip _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Business) _____ Email _____

Marital Status _____ Spouse's Name _____

Spouse's Address if different from above _____

Dependents (other than spouse) _____ List names and ages of dependents _____

Applicant's Employment Information

(Please complete section and provide completed Employment Verification Form, signed by your employer.)

Employer _____

Address _____

Supervisor's Name/Title _____

Telephone _____ Date of Employment _____

Job Title _____ Annual Salary _____ Hours Worked Per Week _____

Organizational Description _____
(Please attach a program description if available.)

Spouse's Employment Information

(No employment documentation is needed; only tax forms to be provided.)

Employer _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Date of Employment _____

Job Title _____ Annual Salary _____ Hours Worked Per Week _____

Income Information

IMPORTANT: All applicants (and spouses) must submit a signed copy of their 2008 federal tax return.

Untaxed Income and Benefits

Report any federal exempt receipts and accruals such as child support, welfare benefits, untaxed portions of unemployment compensation, workers' compensation, veterans' benefits, untaxed portions of social security benefits, untaxed pensions, foreign income exclusion, and other untaxed income and benefits \$_____.

<i>Assets</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Debt</i>
Cash, savings, and checking accounts	\$_____	\$_____
Home - (Purchase Price _____) (Purchase Year _____)	_____	_____
Other real estate	_____	_____
Other assets (Including trust funds, money market funds, mutual funds, CDs, stocks, bonds, securities, etc.)	_____	_____

Other LRAP Programs

Applicants are encouraged to take advantage of any other LRAP programs (such as state, federal, or employer LRAPs). Application and receipt of other LRAP awards may be considered by the selection committee. However, other LRAP awards will not necessarily disqualify an applicant.

For the previous year, please identify any other LRAP programs you applied for and, if awarded, the amount of the award.

Please identify any other LRAP programs you are currently eligible to apply for and whether you plan to apply.

Educational Debt

List each student loan—excluding Bar Study Loans—for which you are currently making or will begin making monthly payments. *For graduates who entered WCL in 2006* (Class of 2009), only law school student loan debt—excluding Bar Study Loans—will be considered for award calculations.

Note: You must attach documentation from each lender of your repayment obligations.

Loan Type	Lender/Service	Current Principal Balance	Monthly Payment	Repayment Plan (Standard 10-year, Extended, Income-Based Repayment, Income Contingent Repayment, Other)

Certification

I hereby certify that the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

- I agree to notify the Financial Aid Office of any changes in the information reported here.
- I understand that I may be asked to provide documentation of information provided here.
- I affirm that funds provided to me through this program will be used solely for loan repayment.
- I understand that PILRAP awards are divided into two disbursements and that I must submit a mid-year employment verification form to receive the second disbursement.
- I understand that I must reapply annually to avoid repayment of funds issued to me.

I have attached a signed copy of my 2008 federal tax return and schedules, a statement confirming my employment and salary and a recent statement for each of my student loans.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Spouse _____ Date _____

Return to:

Financial Aid Office, Washington College of Law
4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 505, Washington, DC 20016-8187
Telephone (202) 274-4040, Fax (202) 274-4107

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