

**LAMDA**

# Consumer Information

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*For US students in receipt of financial aid under the William D Ford Federal Direct Loan Program*

**LONDON ACADEMY OF MUSIC AND DRAMATIC ART**

## Introduction

In line with the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) of 2008, the US government requires institutions offering US Direct Loans to disclose the following consumer information. If you require any further information about the content, please contact the Admissions team at [admissions@lamda.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@lamda.ac.uk).

This document sets out information under a range of headings as per the table below. Further details under each heading are available either within this document, or at the web links provided.

### **Student Financial Aid Information**

For information regarding financial aid, please refer to Fees and Financial Assistance on our website.

For US Student Loans, please refer to the [Student Guide to Direct Loans](#) for information on:

- The types of loans available
- The loan application process
- Our Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy
- Withdrawing and our Return of US loan funds (R2T4) Policy

### **Students with Disabilities**

Throughout our admissions process we are committed to supporting applicants with disabilities, learning needs or access requirements. Applicants and students are encouraged to disclose their needs and requirements so that we can endeavour to meet them during the audition/interview process and the training.

We recognise that everyone is an individual. We will work with students to identify potential barriers to training and will do what we can to remove these barriers. We will make any reasonable adjustment to ensure that disabled students can train at LAMDA.

### **Cost of Attendance**

For information regarding tuition fees, housing and other necessary costs, please refer to the please refer to the [Student Guide to Direct Loans](#).

### **Refund Policy**

For our policy on return of US loan funds (R2T4) please refer to the [Student Guide to Direct Loans](#).

### **Academic Programmes**

Full information on all LAMDA's courses is available at <https://www.lamda.ac.uk/our-courses>

### **Copyright Infringement Policies and Sanctions**

Information on copyright is available in the LAMDA Student Handbook, and in your Course Handbook.

**Notice of Federal Student Financial Aid Penalties for Drug Law Violations**

Policies and penalties associated with drug-related offences are outlined in the Student Handbook.

Impact of drug conviction on federal financial aid eligibility

Under the U.S. Higher Education Act, a student may become ineligible for US Federal student aid upon a conviction of any offence involving the possession or sale of illegal drugs while receiving Title IV federal financial aid. Federal aid includes: US Federal Direct Loans and US Federal Direct PLUS Loans.

The chart below illustrates the period of ineligibility for US Federal Aid, depending on whether the conviction was for sale or possession and whether the student had previous offences. A conviction for sale of drugs includes convictions for conspiring to sell drugs.

	<i>Possession of Illegal Drugs</i>	<i>Sale of Illegal Drugs</i>
1st offence	1 year from date of conviction	2 years from date of conviction
2nd offence	2 years from date of conviction	Indefinite period
3rd offence	Indefinite period	

If convicted of both possessing and selling illegal drugs, and the periods of ineligibility are different, the longer period of ineligibility will apply.

A student regains eligibility the day after the period of ineligibility ends or when the student successfully completes a qualified drug rehabilitation program or the conviction is reversed, set aside or otherwise rendered nugatory. The student will lose eligibility again upon a subsequent drug conviction.

For complete information, please see the [FAFSA](#) web page or contact the Federal Student Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID.

Drug convictions during enrolment

According to the United States Department of Education, if a student is convicted of a drug offence after receiving Federal aid, he or she must notify the Registrar at LAMDA immediately. The student may be ineligible for further aid in that academic year and required to pay back all US Federal aid received after the date of the conviction. The Registrar will work with the student regarding all of the available options.

**Vaccinations Requirements**

Whilst LAMDA does not require students to be vaccinated it provides the following advice and guidance.

There has been a small increase in the rate of meningococcal meningitis or septicaemia in recent years. Young people attending higher education for the first time, especially when living in halls of residence or other shared accommodation, are at a greater risk of this disease particularly in the first few weeks of their first term at university. To achieve maximum protection students should consider immunisation against Meningitis C.

During the last few years an increase in cases of mumps among students has been noted; furthermore, there have been occurrences of measles in particular communities in the UK. These can be debilitating illnesses in young people with the possible risk of complications. UK Department of Health advice is that all those entering higher education should have had TWO immunisations against measles, mumps and rubella (known as MMR).

**Textbook information**

Information about any recommended textbooks for your course will be provided. Please note the Library will have relevant books for your programme of study. Should you wish to buy texts, you are not required to buy books from a specific book shop.

**Freedom of Information and Data Protection**

*Privacy of student records*  
Your rights under the Data Protection Act 1998 are described in LAMDA's [Data Protection Policy](#), which includes information on rights to access information.

**Fire Safety**

LAMDA's policy on health and safety, including fire safety, is available in the student handbook and on the [website](#).

**Student Loan Information Published by the U.S. Department of Education**

Student Loan information published by the U.S. Department of Education can be found at <https://studentloans.gov>. LAMDA will provide information published by the US Department of Education to students at any time that information regarding loan availability is requested, including the rights and responsibilities of students and schools under Title IV loan programs.

**National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS)**

Students with loans or requesting prior loan deferment while enrolled at LAMDA will have their loan details submitted to the NSLDS and this data will be accessible by guaranty agencies, lenders and schools determined to be authorised users of the data system.

**Entrance Counseling for Student Loan Borrowers**

Please refer to the *How to Apply* section in LAMDA's [Student Guide to Direct Loans](#).

**Exit Counseling for Student Loan Borrowers**

Please refer to the [Exit Counseling](#) section on the US Student loans website.

**Code of Conduct for  
Education Loans**

The US code of conduct stipulates the following:

In order to prohibit a conflict of interest when it comes to private education loans, employees with responsibility for US loans are prohibited from the following:

- Making revenue-sharing arrangements with any lender;
- Receiving gifts from a lender, a guarantor, or a loan servicer;
- Entering into arrangements providing financial benefit from any lender or affiliate of a lender;
- Directing borrowers to particular lenders or refusing or delaying loan certifications;
- Offering funds for private loans;

All agents with responsibility for US loans are reminded at least annually of the code.

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