

Code of Conduct for Student Loan Practices

The State University of New York at Maritime works diligently to ensure that its officers, employees and agents avoid conflicts of interest in connection with their responsibilities relating to providing and administering student loans for our students.

SUNY Maritime does not have a preferred lender list. The College does, upon request, certify student eligibility for private alternative loans in accordance with the following Code of Conduct.

- 1. SUNY Maritime does not enter into any revenue-sharing arrangement with any lender.
- 2. No officer, employee or agent of SUNY Maritime who is employed in the financial aid office or who otherwise has responsibilities with respect to education loans, will solicit or accept any gift or other thing of value from a lender, guarantor, or servicer of education loans. You should be aware that certain items provided or contributed by lenders are not considered gifts, such as training materials, philanthropic contributions unrelated to education loans, and entrance and exit counseling services.
- 3. No officer, employee or agent of SUNY Maritime who is employed in the financial aid office or who otherwise has responsibilities with respect to education loans, will accept from any lender or affiliate of any lender, any fee, payment, or other financial benefit (including the opportunity to purchase stock) as compensation for any type of consulting arrangement or other contract to provide services to a lender or on behalf of a lender relating to education loans.
- 4. SUNY Maritime will not request or accept from any lender, any offer of funds to be used for private education loans, including funds for an opportunity pool loan, to students in exchange for the campus providing concessions or promises regarding providing the lender with a specified number of loans made, insured, or guaranteed, a specified loan volume, or a preferred lender arrangement for such loans.
- 5. SUNY Maritime does not request or accept from any lender any assistance with call center staffing or financial aid office staffing.
- 6. No employee of SUNY Maritime who is employed in the financial aid office or who otherwise has responsibilities with respect to education loans or other student financial aid and who serves on an advisory board, commission, or group established by a lender, guarantor, or group of lenders or guarantors, will receive anything of value from the lender, guarantor, or group of lenders or guarantors for such service.