

#### **DEADLINE**

Six weeks before your study period ends.

## WHAT IS AN APPEAL?

An appeal is the process by which you have the opportunity to request a reconsideration of your assessed award. If you have had an exceptional circumstance that meets one or more of the criteria listed below and you have not received the maximum amount of funding for the application study period, you may submit an appeal request. Once evaluated, the appeal request may result in a change to your StudentAid BC award.

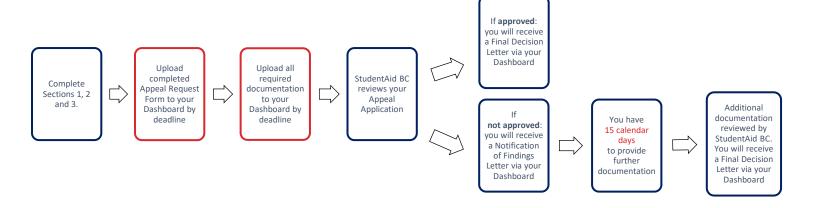
#### APPEAL CRITERIA

You may appeal the B.C. student loan lifetime maximum limit if you meet all of the following criteria:

- You require funding to complete your study period.
- You require approximately one or two more semesters to complete your program.
- There are exceptional circumstances that contributed to your higher borrowing amount.

### APPEAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Talk to a Financial Aid Officer at your school, they can help you with the appeal process. If you are unable to contact a Financial Aid Officer, contact StudentAid BC.
- 2. Review the Appeal Criteria.
- 3. Complete Sections 1, 2 and 3.
- 4. Upload your completed Appeal Request Form and all required documentation to your StudentAid BC Dashboard.



Appeal Request Form starts on page 2.

Refer to the StudentAid BC Policy Manual for more information on appeals.

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# APPEAL REQUEST FOR B.C. STUDENT LOAN LIFETIME MAXIMUM

SECTION 1 – STUDENT INFORMATION	
STUDENT'S SOCIAL INSURANCE NUMBER  STUDENT'S APPLICATION NUMBER	
STUDENT'S LAST NAME	
STUDENT'S FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL	
SECTION 2 – REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION	
You must submit all of the following documentation to your StudentAid BC <u>Dashboard</u> to support your appeal request:	
A letter explaining why you need to exceed the B.C. student loan lifetime maximum. The letter must include:  • Your post-secondary history to date (periods of study and programs).  • Your expected completion date.  • Your education and employment plans.  Unofficial copy of all post-secondary transcripts.  A letter from your institution indicating the program that you are enrolled in, how many credits you have left to complete, how many credits you have already completed and your estimated date of graduation.	
YOUR ASSESSMENT WILL BE DELAYED OR DENIED IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION.	
SECTION 3 – DECLARATION	
By submitting this request for an appeal, I understand that:	
<ul> <li>All terms agreed to on my application will remain in force.</li> <li>StudentAid BC may consider information from prior applications in my appeal request.</li> </ul>	
I certify that information provided with this request is accurate and correct.	
CHECK PRINT STUDENT'S FIRST AND LAST NAME MARK	MM/DD/YYYY

Collection and use of information: The information included in this form and authorized above is collected under Sections 26(c) and 26(e) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, and under the authority of the *Canada Student Financial Assistance Act*, R.S.C. 1994, Chapter C-28 and StudentAid BC. The information provided will be used to determine eligibility for a benefit through StudentAid BC and for statistical and evaluation purposes. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this information, contact the Director, StudentAid BC, Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills, PO Box 9173, Stn Prov Govt, Victoria B.C., V8W 9H7, telephone 1-800-561-1818 (toll-free in Canada/U.S.) or +1-778-309-4621 from outside North America.

Upload completed Appeal Request Form and all required documentation to your StudentAid BC Dashboard at studentaidbc.ca/dashboard.

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