

# **US Federal Student Loans**

## **Consumer Information**

**London Contemporary Dance School** 

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For any questions or queries about US Federal loans, please contact the LCDS Federal Aid Administrator on: <a href="mailto:USloans@theplace.org.uk">USloans@theplace.org.uk</a>

The US government requires institutions which offer federal student loans to disclose the following consumer information. If you require any further information about the content, or a different format, please email USloans@theplace.org.uk.

<u>Federal Student Aid</u> – Please refer to the <u>Student Guide to Direct Loans</u> found in the Fees and Funding section of the website, for information on:

The type of loans available
The loan application process
Entrance and Exit Counselling
Our Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy
Our Return of US loan funds (R2T4) Policy
Estimated costs of study
Federal Aid Administrator contact details

Please note, only our full-time in-person BA and MA degrees are eligible for Student Aid. Distance learning degrees are not eligible for any Federal Aid.

Our professional development programmes; evening classes; short summer and Easter courses, and any other short courses are not credit bearing and are also ineligible for any Federal Aid.

<u>National Student Loan Data System</u> (NSLDS). Students with loans or requesting prior loan deferment while enrolled at LCDS 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.

### Institution and programme accreditation and specification

London Contemporary Dance School is registered with the <u>Office for Students</u> with degrees awarded by the University of The Arts, a degree-awarding body, which is likewise registered with the <u>Office for Students</u>.

For information about current degrees, course specifications and other educational and training courses, please see our information pages:

### Undergraduate programme

## Postgraduate programmes

Please note, the distance learning MA Dance: Participation, Communities, Activism is not eligible for any Federal Aid.

For the BA programme a US High School Diploma would be considered an equivalent entry qualification, and likewise for our MA degrees a US BA/BFA degree would be considered an equivalent entry qualification.

## Fee information

Information on tuition fees can be found here

#### Crime rates

Details of crime in the school area are available <u>here</u>. You can review details of crime in other areas by going to <u>https://www.police.uk/</u> and entering the relevant postcode.

## Freedom of Information and Data Protection

Privacy of student records

Your rights under the Data Protection Act 1998 are outlined in <u>The Place Privacy Policy</u> and the <u>Student Privacy Notice</u>.

## Vaccinations policy

Whilst LCDS 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 our Library will have relevant books for your programme of study. Should you wish to buy textbooks, you are not required to buy books from a specific book shop.

## Facilities and Services available to students with disabilities

Information on facilities and services for disabled students can be found here.

## **Mature Students**

For U.S students to be eligible to receive federal financial assistance, they must possess a secondary school completion credential or its equivalent. Therefore, London Contemporary Dance School does not

have the authority to obligate funds under the Direct Loan Programme for current or new US students who do not have a High School Diploma or equivalent qualification.

## Third Party Debt Relief

Students and Alumni should be aware that some third party debt relief companies are misusing School and Department of Education logos and seals, attempting to give the impression that they are working with or on behalf of your School, and charging fees to help you manage your debt, in some cases without payments being made to reduce your balance. The Department of Education do not charge for debt relief or advice and students should contact their loan servicer for further advice regarding their repayment options, loan deferment or forebearance. You can find your servicer by logging on to <a href="mailto:nslds.ed.gov">nslds.ed.gov</a>. London Contemporary Dance School does not partner with any debt management company.

We are not aware of this affecting any of our students, but you should remain vigilant and wary of communications of this nature. If you have any concerns you should contact your loan servicer in the first instance.

### **Further Information**

London Contemporary Dance School makes every effort to ensure that the information published or contained on its website is accurate. We cannot, however, guarantee that information may not be altered owing to circumstances beyond our reasonable control, such as (but not limited to) changes in Government policy (UK and/or US) or changes to applicable laws.

Any changes will be incorporated our website as soon as possible. Any person wishing to obtain confirmation of any particular item should contact the School via our US Federal Aid Administrator on <a href="USloans@theplace.org.uk">USloans@theplace.org.uk</a>.

Should you have a complaint about the processing of your US loan, you have the right to file complaints with the US Department of Education, although we would ask you contact our Federal Aid Administrator first, on <a href="USloans@theplace.org.uk">USloans@theplace.org.uk</a>, so that we can try to resolve the problem with you.