

TUITION PAYMENT OPTIONS

The **2025–2026** academic year is quickly approaching, and Chestnut Hill College (CHC) Student Financial Services Office understands that funding your undergraduate education is a major concern for many students and families. Many students are coming up short when it comes to covering balances after the financial aid package has been received. Here are some helpful tips and ways to your educational costs:

 <u>Enroll in the Nelnet Payment Plan</u>: Chestnut Hill College offers an *interest-free* payment plan through a third-party service called Nelnet. For the 2025-2026 school year, students can enroll in an annual, fall, or spring plan. The Nelnet payment plan is available for traditional, undergraduate students in the School of Undergraduate Studies.

For more information, please visit www.mycollegepaymentplan.com/chestnut, or contact CHC Student Accounts at <u>accounts@chc.edu</u> or (215) 248-7116.

Please contact Student accounts to confirm your balance prior to enrolling in a payment plan. If you wish to pay the balance out of pocket and <u>not</u> utilize the payment plan or other alternatives, please contact Student Accounts.

2. Direct Parent PLUS Loan: (Parents of Dependent Undergraduate Students)

Direct PLUS Loans are federal loans that parents of <u>dependent</u> undergraduate students can use to help pay for college. PLUS, loans can help pay for education expenses not covered by other financial aid. *Independent undergraduate students are not eligible for PLUS Loans.*

Parent borrowers must complete both the <u>Parent PLUS loan credit application and Master Promissory Note</u> (MPN) at <u>studentaid.gov</u>. For more information about the PLUS loan (interest rates, fees, repayment, etc.) visit: <u>https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/plus/parent</u>.

Please allow 5 to 7 business days from the date of application for the funds to appear on your financial aid package. You will receive a revised award letter once reviewed and processed by the Financial Aid Office.

3. <u>Private Alternative Loans</u>: Private student alternative loans are managed through private lenders, issued in the student's name, and may require a credit-worthy co-signer. Eligibility, rates, terms, and conditions vary. Approval and interest rates are based on the borrower's and/or co-signer's credit ratings. Alternative loans are agreements between the borrower, co-signer, and the lender. You have the right to select the alternative lender of your choice. Your bank, credit union, or other financial institution can be a good place to start your search for a reputable alternative loan lender. You can also look for websites that provide a list of alternative loan lenders and a basic comparison chart that highlights the key characteristics of the major private education loans.

If you have any further questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Financial Aid at <u>finaid@chc.edu</u> or (215) 248-7182 or Student Accounts at <u>accounts@chc.edu</u> or (215) 248-7116.