Colby College
Title IV Loan Code of Conduct

In order to ensure transparency in the administration of the student financial aid program and to avoid the harm that may arise from actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest, Colby College adheres to the following code of conduct.

- Colby College shall not enter into a revenue-sharing arrangement which is defined as an arrangement between a school and a lender under which the lender pays a fee or provides other material benefits, including revenue or profit sharing to the school, an officer or employee of the school, or an agent and in exchange, the school recommends the lender or the lender’s loan products and the lender makes Title IV loans to the student attending the school.
- Any officer or school employee who is employed in the financial aid office or student financial services office or who has responsibilities with respect to student loans is prohibited from soliciting or accepting any gift from a lender, guarantor, or servicer of educational loans. Any such offers will be reported to the Assistant Vice President for Finance.
- An officer or employee of the financial aid office or student financial services office or who has responsibilities with respect to education loans or an agent who has responsibilities with respect to education loans shall not accept any fee, payment, or other financial benefit (including the opportunity to purchase stock) as compensation from any lender or affiliate for any type of consulting arrangement or other contract to provide services to the lender or on behalf of the lender with regard to education loans. Any such offers will be reported to the Assistant Vice President for Finance.
- Colby College shall not request or accept funds from any lender for private education loans including funds for an opportunity pool loan to its students in exchange for the school providing concessions or promises to the lender regarding the number or volume of Title IV loans or a preferred lender arrangement. Any such offers will be reported to the Assistant Vice President for Finance.
- The financial aid office/student financial services office personnel will not assign, deny or otherwise impede a borrower’s right to choose a particular lender or guarantor.
- Requests or acceptance of any assistance from any lender with call center or financial aid office/student financial services office staffing is prohibited.
- Any school employee in the financial aid office or student financial services office or with responsibilities regarding the education loans or financial aid, who serves on an advisory board commission, or group established by a lender, guarantor, or group of lenders or guarantors shall be prohibited from receiving anything of value from the lender, guarantor, or group of lenders or guarantors. However, the employee may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in serving on the advisory board, commission, or group. Any such offers will be reported to the Assistant Vice President for Finance.