International House
2299 Piedmont Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94720

GUIDELINES
International House Osher Short Term Loans for International Students

Objective: The International House Loan Program was established by the Bernard Osher Foundation of San Francisco to give foreign students and scholars a much needed loan option when no other source is available. It is a revolving fund that depends on repayment in order to have enough money for the next needy person.

Eligibility: The applicant must be a registered international student or scholar at UC Berkeley.

Loan Amounts: Loans are up to $2,000 and free of interest.

Processing Time: Loan requests are processed every week and checks made available for pick up after approximately 7 business days. Under very special circumstances, a check can be processed earlier.

Repayment: The loan must be repaid on a monthly basis OR within four to six months from the date of receipt of the loan. The source of repayment must be verifiable. Only the minimum amount needed should be applied for. Delinquent loans may be referred for collection, and the borrower may be charged additional collection fees.

Application Procedure: Fill out the required documents and email to ihousefinancialaid@berkeley.edu
Make an appointment with the Loan Coordinator via email ihousefinancialaid@berkeley.edu

Required Documents: You will be required to submit the following documents:

- ***Short Term Loan Application***: Applications are available on the financial aid webpage, via email, or in the Executive Director's Office at International House. Only the first section of the application must be completed prior to applying and meeting with the Loan Coordinator.
- ***Signed Personal Statement***: Explain why you need the loan, what for, amount required, and how you plan to pay the loan back. List your current living expenses (rent, food, utilities, etc.) and your current income and other resources. Indicate if something changed.
- ***Bank Statements***: Submit copies of your bank statements for the last three months.
- ***Employment Verification***: If you are employed, please submit, if available, an employment contract or letter. If you do not have a contract or an employment letter, please submit a signed statement from the Administrative Assistant in your Department verifying employment, job title, duration of your employment, number of hours at work, and hourly wage.
- ***CAL Central Statement***: If the loan is for the purpose of paying a portion of your tuition, please submit a copy of your CAL Central tuition statement.

Co-Signer: In some cases, a co-signer may be required. The Loan Coordinator will discuss your financial situation with you and determine if a co-signer is necessary.

You may want to call the Loan Coordinator before completing the application for more detailed loan information and to confirm your eligibility.

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Recommended by:_____
Approved by:_____

Date Approved:_____

International House Short-Term Loan Application (Osher Foundation)

Name _____ Birthdate _____
Last First Middle mm/dd/yy

Social Security # _____ - _____ - _____ Degree Completion Date _____
mm/dd/yy

UC Academic Status _____ UC Student ID # _____

UC Department _____ UC Academic Advisor _____

Local Address _____ Permanent Address _____
_____ _____
_____ _____

Local Phone Number _____ Permanent Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Email address _____

Driver's License No. _____ State/Country _____

Passport No._____ Country _____

Loan Amount Requested
(not to exceed $2,000)_ $_____ Repayment Terms (how/when) _____
_____

I agree to the above terms. _____ _____
Signature of Applicant Date

Reason for loan (Please check):

___Transportation
___Medical
___Rent

___Utilities
___Books/Supplies
___Registration Fees

___ Other (please explain) : _____
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_____

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Co-Signer Information

Name _____ Social Security # _____ - _____ - _____
Last First

Permanent Address _____ Home Phone _____

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_____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____ Business Phone _____

Company Name _____ Business Address _____

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_____

Date _____ Signature _____
mm/dd/yy

I have read and understand the guidelines and declare under penalty of perjury that the statements submitted by me in connection with the determination of my loan are true and correct. If the loan is granted, I agree to repay this obligation according to its terms and answer all correspondence concerning this obligation promptly. Should the loan become delinquent, I agree to pay the late fees, and if the note is submitted for collection, I shall pay, in addition to the obligation, all costs and fees of the collection.

Executed on _____ Signed _____
mm/dd/yy Applicant's Signature

I have received check # _____ in the amount of $_____ on _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Check is distributed in person.