

Service Cancellations

Teaching Cancellations

Schools may cancel up to 100% of a Perkins Loan if the borrower has served full time in a public or nonprofit elementary or secondary school system as a:

- teacher in a school serving students from low-income families;
- special-education teacher, including teachers of infants, toddlers, children, or youth with disabilities; or
- teacher in the fields of mathematics, science, foreign languages, or bilingual education, or in any other field of expertise that is determined by a state education agency to have a shortage of qualified teachers in that state.

Other Service Cancellations

Schools may cancel up to 100% of a Perkins Loan if the borrower has served full time as a/an:

- nurse or medical technician providing health care services;
- employee of an eligible public or private nonprofit child or family service agency who is providing or supervising the provision of services to both high-risk children who are from low-income communities, and the families of such children;
- qualified professional provider of early intervention services in a public or other nonprofit program under public supervision;
- staff member in the educational part of a preschool program carried out under the Head Start Act; or
- qualifying law enforcement or corrections officer.

Schools may cancel up to 50% of a Perkins Loan if the borrower has served a period of full-time active duty in the armed forces (that is, the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard), the National Guard, or the Reserves. The service must be in an area of hostilities or an area of imminent danger that qualifies for special pay under Section 310 of Title 37 of the U.S. Code.

Schools may cancel up to 70% of a Perkins Loan if the borrower has served as a Peace Corps or Americorps*VISTA (under Title I, Part A of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973) volunteer.