GradReady Student Guide

First Time ECC Student Loan Borrowers

**Step 1:** Click Create an Account on the GradReady webpage. ECC-MO.gradready.com

Look for this:

The more you know the less you'll owe.

Learn more about managing your tuition, budget, and bills.

Log in  Create an Account

**Step 2:** Create your account.

EMAIL USED (USER NAME):

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PASSWORD:

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KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND INCLUDING YOUR ECC STUDENT ID SO IT IS EASY FOR THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE TO FIND YOUR COMPLETED LESSONS.

ENROLLMENT STATUS = FIRST TIME ECC LOAN BORROWER

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**Step 3:** Go to your email to activate your account.

**Almost done!**

An activation email is on its way. Select the link within the email to activate your account.

To make sure that our email reaches your inbox correctly and isn’t blocked, please add service@gradready.com to your contact list and/or trusted senders list.

**Step 4:** This is the verification you will receive online.

**Success!**

Thanks for activating your account.

After you log in, watch the videos and use the tools to better manage your tuition, budget, and bills.

Pick a path and progress through the lessons, so you can be GradReady!

[Go to Log in]

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Step 5: Log in

Log in

Email

Password

Log in

Forgot your password?
Need an account? Get started here.

Step 6: Watch this 34 second video for instructions on how GradReady works.

Getting Started

Be informed. Be empowered.

Pick a path, watch the videos, take the quizzes, and use the tools to improve your knowledge and skills.

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Step 7: Choose PATH 1

Choose a path. Start learning.

PATH 1
Important financial decisions are on the horizon. Learn how to make the right choices to protect your future.

PATH 2
Increase your credit score. Decrease your debt. Balance your budget. Manage your money today.

PATH 3
Gain insight on complicated money matters like student loan repayment; housing, cars, and investing. Build real skills for your real life.

Paying for College
Money Management
Real-World Finance

Step 8: Take the Pre-Course Assessment for Paying for College. It is less than 10 questions.

Paying for College

Welcome!
To get started, you need to complete a very brief pre-course assessment.

Pre-Course Assessment
Don't worry if you don't know the answers right now. Once you complete this path, you'll be better prepared for the very brief final exam.

Take Assessment

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Step 9: Click Continue.

Paying for College

Whew! The hard part is over.
Select Continue to proceed down the Paying for College path. You can always check your progress in My Account.

Pre-Course Assessment 1
score: 100%
behavior: ⭐⭐⭐⭐

Step 10. Click View More to see available lessons.

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Step 11: Choose the “Intro to Federal Loans” lesson.

- “Intro to Federal Loans” is the only required lesson for First-Time Loan Borrowers but all of the lessons are very beneficial. We highly recommend you complete all lessons available before graduation so you can be GradReady!

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Step 12: Watch all 3 videos then Take Quiz. You must receive at least a 70% for your quiz to count.

Step 1:
Watch all 3 Videos

Step 2:
Take Quiz

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