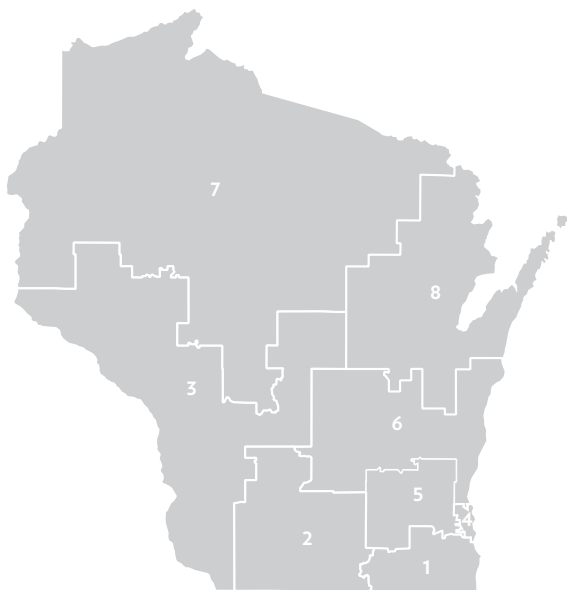




PROSPER ACT STUDENT AID PROVISIONS WOULD NEGATIVELY IMPACT UW-MADISON STUDENTS

The House is expected to soon consider H.R. 4508, the Promoting Real Opportunity, Success, and Prosperity through Higher Education Reform (PROSPER) Act. This bill includes financial aid provisions that would harm undergraduate and graduate students throughout Wisconsin. This legislation cuts a number of financial aid programs that enable many students to afford college.



Federal financial aid programs eliminated by the PROSPER Act

Dollar amounts lost and the number of UW-Madison students affected statewide

Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG)

\$1,496,777 (1,436 students)

Perkins Loan

\$5,498,547 (2,468 students)

Grad PLUS Loans

\$2,629,801 (203 students)

Total

\$9,625,125 (3,794 students*)

* Some students received multiple awards.

It is important to note that these numbers do not include students in WI-1 receiving federal financial aid who are attending other colleges or universities.

Other federal financial aid programs that would be impacted by the PROSPER Act

- Elimination of the In-School Interest Subsidy for Undergraduate Students, resulting in a 45 percent increase in interest paid, even after elimination of the origination fee
- Elimination of the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program
- Elimination of Work Study eligibility for graduate students
- Alters the terms of income-driven student loan repayments, reducing plans and limiting flexibility for borrowers