

TaxTips

Student Loan Interest Deduction Ease the burden of payments

Here are pointers to help guide you in claiming the deduction:

- You can deduct up to \$2,500 in student loan interest that you paid during the year.
- You can claim the deduction as an adjustment to income, so you don't need to worry about itemizing your deductions on Form 1040, Schedule A.
- You cannot claim the deduction in any tax year in which your filing status is married filing separate.
- For 2015, the deduction is subject to modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) phaseouts for anyone with MAGI between \$65,000 and \$80,000 (\$130,000 and \$160,000 for married filing jointly).
- You can claim the student loan interest deduction indefinitely until the loan is repaid.