

GRADS have
DEBT

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The average cumulative debt for a **Master's** is **\$52,000**; for a **doctoral degree**, **\$72,000** *

Join graduate students across America on

Nationwide Call-Congress Day

Wednesday, **December 4th**, 2013

Time: **11am-2pm & 3pm-5pm**

Call Center Location: **GSA Office (COMMONS 308)**

Phone numbers and statements provided!

- The graduate-professional student default rate, as reported for the 2010 cohort, is significantly lower (6.1%) than the overall default rate (17.6%), making graduate-professional student loans a safe financial investment for the federal government.**
- Graduate instructors help keep undergraduate education affordable.
- Making graduate and professional school unaffordable will prevent the best and brightest from pursuing graduate or professional degrees.
- The high cost of student loans prevents graduate and professional students from contributing to the economy.

*Average cumulative student debt at graduation (2012-13 academic year). Analysis by Mark Kantrowitz, FinAid.org.

**Budget Lifetime Default rates, based on dollars for a projected cohort life of 20 years. Source: U.S. Department of Education.