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1. Go to the address field located at the top of your Web browser's window and type fsadownload.ed.gov. You may need to press the **Enter** key or click the **Go** button.
2. Click the **Software** link on the left side of the page or the **Software and Associated Documents** link at the top of the page.
3. Click the **NSLDS Gainful Employment Spreadsheet Submittal Format** link. You are taken to the download site.
4. Click the **XLS Format** link in the software section to Download/Save the file. At the File Download dialogue box, click the **Save** button. Then designate the folder/location on your local hard drive and click **Save**. Note: After selecting the drive and folder/location, use the default filename. Navigate to the folder/location with Windows Explorer and double-click the spreadsheet OR launch the spreadsheet software. Then select **File|Open** and navigate to the folder/location to open the spreadsheet. You can start entering your gainful employment records. The spreadsheet allows for a size limit up to 1,000 KB (approximately 1 MB) of data to be loaded at a time. Any file size over this limit will cause the spreadsheet to be rejected. File size varies depending on the version of software used. Save the spreadsheet in a secure location after entering your data.

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