



Office of Student Financial Assistance

2015–2016 Independent Verification Worksheet (V1)

Your 2015–2016 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called verification. The law states that before awarding Federal Student Aid, we may ask you to confirm the information you and your parents reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information the financial aid administrator at your school will compare your FAFSA with the information on this worksheet and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. You and at least one parent must complete and sign this worksheet, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to the financial aid administrator at your school. Your school may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact your financial aid administrator as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

A. Student’s Information

Student’s Last Name First Name M.I. SSN or LCC ID
Student’s Street Address (include apt. no.) Student’s Date of Birth
City State Zip Code Student’s Email Address
Student’s Home Phone Number (include area code) Student’s Alternate or Cell Phone Number

B. Independent Student Family Information

List the people in your household. Include:

- Yourself
• Your spouse (if married)
• Yours and/or your spouse’s children if you will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, or if they would be required to provide parental information if they were completing a FAFSA for 2015-2016.
• Other people if they now live with the student and the student or spouse provides more than half of their support and will continue to provide more than half of their support through June 30, 2016.

Include the name of the college for any household member, who will be enrolled at least half time in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at a postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2015, and June 30, 2016.

If more space is needed, attach a separate page with the student’s name and Social Security Number at the top.

Table with 5 columns: Full Name, Age, Relationship, College, Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time. Includes a pre-filled row for 'Self' at 'LCC'.

Note: We may require additional information if we have reason to believe that the information regarding the household member enrolled in eligible postsecondary educational institution is inaccurate.

C. Independent Student's Income to be Verified

TAX RETURN FILERS- Important Note: The instructions below apply to the student and spouse, if the student is married. Notify the financial aid office if the student or spouse filed separate IRS income tax returns for 2014 or had a change in marital status after the end of the 2014 tax year on December 31, 2014.

Instructions: Complete this section if the student and spouse filed or will file a 2014 IRS income tax return(s). *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at FAFSA.gov.* In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2014 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed. Contact the financial aid office if more information is needed about using the IRS DRT.

Check the box that applies:

- The student and/or spouse **has used** the IRS DRT in FAFSA on the Web to transfer 2014 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA *and W-2 forms*.
- The student and/or spouse **has not yet** used the IRS DRT in FAFSA on the Web, but will use the tool to transfer 2014 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA *and W-2 forms*.
- The student and/or spouse **is unable or chooses not to use** the IRS DRT in FAFSA on the Web, and instead will provide the school a **2014 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) and W-2 forms**.

To obtain a **2014 IRS Tax Return Transcript**, go to www.irs.gov and click on the "Get Transcript of Your Tax Records". To view and print your transcript immediately click on "Get Transcript ONLINE". If you are unable to print your tax transcript please select "Get Transcript by MAIL"; transcripts arrive in 5-10 calendar days. In most cases, for electronic filers, a **2014 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be requested from the IRS within 2–3 weeks after the 2014 IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2014 paper IRS income tax returns, the **2014 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be requested within 8–11 weeks after the 2014 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS.

___ Check here if a **2014 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) and W-2 forms** are provided.

___ Check here if a **2014 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** will be provided later.

TAX RETURN NONFILERS- Complete this section if the student and spouse will not file and are not required to file a 2014 tax return with the IRS.

Check the box that applies:

- The student and spouse were not employed and had no income earned from work in 2014.
- The student and/or spouse was employed in 2014 and has listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2014, and whether an IRS W-2 form is provided. [Provide copies of all 2014 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student by his/her employers]. List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form.

If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student's name and ID number at the top.

Employer's Name	2014 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Provided?
<i>Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)</i>	<i>\$2,000.00</i>	<i>Yes</i>

Note: We may require you to provide documentation from the IRS that indicates a 2014 IRS income tax return was not filed with the IRS

Student Name: _____

LCC ID: _____

D. Child Support Paid

The student or spouse, who is a member of the student's household paid child support in 2014. List below the names of the persons who paid the child support, the names of the persons to whom the child support was paid, the names of the children for whom the child support was paid, and the total annual amount of child support that was paid in 2014 for each child.

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Name of Person Who Paid Child Support	Name of Person to Whom Child Support was Paid	Name of Child for Whom Support Was Paid	Amount of Child Support Paid in 2014

Note: If we have reason to believe that the information regarding child support paid is not accurate, we may require additional documentation, such as:

- A copy of the separation agreement or divorce decree that shows the amount of child support to be provided;
- A signed statement from the individual receiving the child support certifying the amount of child support received; or
- Copies of the child support payment checks, money order receipts, or similar records of electronic payments having been made.

E. Receipt of SNAP Benefits

Please check a box.

- The student certifies that a member of the student's household (listed in section B of this verification document), received benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP (formerly known as the Food Stamp Program) sometime during 2013 or 2014. **NOTE: If we have reason to believe that the information regarding the receipt of SNAP benefits is inaccurate, we may require documentation from the agency that issued the SNAP benefits in 2013 or 2014.**
- The student certifies that **NO** members of the student's household (listed in section B of this verification document), received benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP (formerly known as the Food Stamp Program) sometime during 2013 or 2014.

F. Certifications and Signatures

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct. The student and one parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must sign and date.

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

Student's Signature

Date

Spouse's Signature (Optional)

Date