

2017-2018 Verification Worksheet – Independent Student

Your 2017–2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in process called verification. The law says that before disbursing Federal Student Aid, we may ask you to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, we will compare your FAFSA with the information on this institutional verification document and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. You and a spouse, if married, whose information was reported on the FAFSA must complete and sign this institutional verification document, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to the financial aid office. We may ask for additional information, if necessary for clarification. If you have questions about verification, contact the financial aid office as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

A. Independent Student's Information – Please fill in with the student's information.

Student's Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Student's ID Number
Permanent 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's Family Information – List the people in your household.

Include:

- Yourself.
- Your spouse, if you are married.
- Your children, if any, if you will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, or if the child would be required to provide your information if they were completing a FAFSA for 2017-2018. Include children who meet either of these standards, even if they do not live with you.
- Other people if they now live with you and you provide more than half of their support and will continue to provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Also, write in the name of the college for any noted above, who will be attending college at least half-time between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018, and will be enrolled in a degree, diploma, or certificate program.

Full Name	Age	Relationship	University/College	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time
Missy Jones (example)	18	Self	Central University	Yes

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

c. Income Information to Be Verified

- 1. Tax Return Filers – Important Note:** If you, the student (or your spouse, if married) filed, or will file, an amended 2015 IRS tax return, please contact your financial aid administrator before completing this section.

Instructions: Complete this section if you, the student, filed or will file a 2015 income tax return with the IRS. *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool that is part of FAFSA on the Web. If you have not already used the tool, go to FAFSA.gov, log into the student's FAFSA record, select "Make FAFSA Corrections," and navigate to the Financial Information section of the form. There will be instructions to determine if the student and/or parent are eligible to use the Tool. It takes up to two weeks for IRS income information to be available for the IRS Data Retrieval Tool for electronic IRS tax return filers, and up to eight weeks for paper IRS tax return filers.*

Check the box that applies:

- ☐ The student has used the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2015 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.
- ☐ The student has not yet used the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, but will use the tool to transfer 2015 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.
- ☐ The student is unable or chooses not to use the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, and instead will provide the school with a **2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)**.

****If the student and spouse filed separate 2015 IRS income tax returns, the IRS DRT cannot be used and the 2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) must be provided for each.**

_____ Check here if a **2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** is provided.

A 2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript may be obtained through:

- Get Transcript by MAIL – Go to www.irs.gov, under the Tools heading, click "Get a tax transcript." Click "Get Transcript by MAIL." Make sure to request the "IRS Tax Return Transcript" and **NOT** the "IRS Tax Account Transcript."
- Get Transcript ONLINE – Go to www.irs.gov, under the Tools heading, click "Get a tax transcript." Click "Get Transcript ONLINE." Make sure to request the "IRS Tax Return Transcript" and **NOT** the "IRS Tax Account Transcript."
- Automated Telephone Request – 1-800-908-9946
- Paper Request Form – IRS Form 4506T-EZ or IRS Form 4506-T

In most cases, for electronic tax return filers, 2015 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS DRT or the IRS Tax Return Transcript within 2–3 weeks after the 2015 electronic IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2015 paper IRS income tax returns, the 2015 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS DRT or the IRS Tax Return Transcript within 6–8 weeks after the 2015 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS. Contact the financial aid office if more information is needed about using the IRS DRT or obtaining an IRS Tax Return Transcript.

2. Tax Return Nonfilers – Complete this section if the student and spouse will not file and are not required to file a 2015 income 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 2015.
- ☐ The student and/or spouse were employed in 2015 and have listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2015, and whether an IRS W-2 form is provided. [Provide copies of all 2015 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student and spouse by their employers]. List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form.

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Employer's Name	IRS W-2 Provided?	Annual Amount Earned in 2015
<i>(Example) ABC's Auto Body Shop</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>\$4,500.00</i>
Total Amount of Income Earned From Work		\$

Provide documentation from the IRS or other relevant tax authority dated on or after October 1, 2016 that indicates a 2015 IRS income tax return was not filed with the IRS or other relevant tax authority.

A 2015 IRS Verification of Non Filing may be obtained through:

- Get Transcript by MAIL – Go to www.irs.gov, under the Tools heading, click "Get a tax transcript." Click "Get Transcript by MAIL." Make sure to request **Verification of Nonfiling**
- Get Transcript ONLINE – Go to www.irs.gov, under the Tools heading, click "Get a tax transcript." Click "Get Transcript ONLINE." Make sure to request **Verification of Nonfiling**
- Automated Telephone Request – 1-800-908-9946
- Paper Request Form – **IRS Form 4506-T** (<https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506t.pdf>) - **check box 7**

____ Check here if confirmation of nonfiling is provided.

Certifications and Signatures

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct. The student and spouse 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

Date