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## 2019-2020 Independent Verification Worksheet

Your 2019-2020 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called verification. The law says that before awarding 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 your 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 us.

### A. Student's Information

_____ Student's Last Name	_____ First Name	_____ M.I.	_____ Student's Identification (ID) Number
_____ 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 Cell Phone Number (include area code)	

### B. Student's Income Information to be verified

#### 1. 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 2017 or had a change in marital status after December 31, 2017.

**Instructions:** Complete this section if the student and spouse filed or will file a 2017 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](http://FAFSA.gov).* In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2017 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed by the FAFSA filer.

#### Check the box that applies:

- The student has used the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2017 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student's ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

- The student has not yet used the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, but will use the tool to transfer 2017 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 a **2017 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)**.

A **2017 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be obtained through:

- Get Transcript by MAIL – Go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), click “Get My Tax Record.” Click “Get Transcript by MAIL.” Make sure to request the “IRS Tax Return Transcript” and **NOT** the “IRS Tax Account Transcript.” The transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS’s receipt of the online request.
- Get Transcript ONLINE – Go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), click “Get My Tax Record.” Click “Get Transcript ONLINE.” Make sure to request the “IRS Tax Return Transcript” and **NOT** the “IRS Tax Account Transcript.” To use the Get Transcript Online tool, the user must have (1) access to a valid email address, (2) a text-enabled mobile phone (pay-as-you-go plans cannot be used) in the user’s name, and (3) specific financial account numbers (such as a credit card number or an account number for a home mortgage or auto loan). The transcript displays online upon successful completion of the IRS’s two-step authentication.
- Automated Telephone Request – 1-800-908-9946. Transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS’s receipt of the telephone request.
- Paper Request Form – IRS Form 4506T-EZ or IRS Form 4506-T. The transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS’s receipt of the paper request form.

If the student and spouse filed separate 2017 IRS income tax returns, the IRS DRT cannot be used and the **2017 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** must be provided for each.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Check here if a **2017 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** is provided.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check here if a **2017 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** will be provided later.

2. Student Nontax Filers

The instructions and certifications below apply to the student and spouse, if the student is married. Complete this section if the student and spouse will not file and are not required to file a 2017 income tax return.

**Check the box that applies:**

- The student is not employed, and had no income earned from work in 2017.
- The student and/or spouse were employed in 2017 and have listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2017, and whether an IRS W-2 form or an equivalent document is provided. [Provide copies of all 2017 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.

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

Employer’s Name	IRS W-2 Provided?	2017 Amount Earned
<i>(Example) ABC’s Auto Body Shop</i>	Yes	\$2000
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
Total Amount of Income Earned From Work		_____

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student's ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Provide documentation from the IRS or other relevant tax authority dated on or after October 1, 2017 that indicates a 2017 IRS income tax return was not filed with the IRS or other relevant tax authority.

\_\_\_\_ Check here if confirmation of nonfiling is provided.

\_\_\_\_ Check here if confirmation of nonfiling will be provided later.

**Verification of 2017 Income Information for Individuals with Unusual Circumstances  
Individuals Granted a Filing Extension by the IRS**

An individual who is required to file a 2017 IRS income tax return and has been granted a filing extension by the IRS beyond the automatic six-month extension for tax year 2017, must provide:

- A copy of IRS Form 4868, "Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return," that was filed with the IRS for tax year 2017;
- A copy of the IRS's approval of an extension beyond the automatic six-month extension for tax year 2017;
- Verification of Non-filing Letter (confirmation that the tax return has not yet been filed) from the IRS or other relevant tax authority dated on or after October 1, 2017;
- A copy of IRS Form W-2 for each source of employment income received or an equivalent document for tax year 2017 and,
- If self-employed, a signed statement certifying the amount of the individual's Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) and the U.S. income tax paid for tax year 2017.

**Individuals Who Filed an Amended IRS Income Tax Return**

An individual who filed an amended IRS income tax return for tax year 2017 must provide:

- A 2017 IRS Tax Return Transcript (that will only include information from the original tax return and does not have to be signed), or any other IRS tax transcript(s) that includes all of the income and tax information required to be verified; *and*
- A signed copy of the 2017 IRS Form 1040X, "Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return," that was filed with the IRS.

**c. 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 prison, or both.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Student's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's ID Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature (Required)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Spouse's Name (Optional if a joint return)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse's Signature (Optional if a joint return)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date