

INDEPENDENT Verification Worksheet

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Your 2018-2019 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 a parent 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. We may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact us 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.	_____ 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 Alternate or Cell Phone Number

B. Number of Household Members and Number in College

Number of Household Members: List below the people in the student's household. Include:

- The student.
- The student's spouse, if the student is married.
- The student's or spouse's children if the student or spouse will provide more than half of the children's support from July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019, even if a child does not live with the student.
- Other people if they now live with the student and the student or spouse provides more than half of the other people's support and will continue to provide more than half of their support through June 30, 2019.

Number in College: Include in the space below information about any household member who is or will be, enrolled at least half time in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at an eligible postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2018, and June 30, 2019, include the name of the college.

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

Full Name	Age	Relationship	College	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time (Yes or No)
		<i>Self</i>		

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

C. Independent Student's Income Information to Be Verified

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 2016 or had a change in marital status after December 31, 2016.

IF YOU FILED TAXES IN 2016 COMPLETE QUESTION #1, IF NOT GO TO QUESTION #2.

1. STUDENT TAX FILERS

Instructions: Complete this section if the student and spouse filed or will file a 2016 IRS income tax return(s).

Check the box that applies:

- The student has used the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2016 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 2016 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 **2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)**. If the student and spouse filed separate 2016 IRS income tax returns, the IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) must be provided for each.
 - _____ Check here if a **2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** is provided.
 - _____ Check here if a **2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** will be provided later.

OR

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 2016 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 2016. Provide documentation from the IRS that indicates a 2016 IRS income tax return was not filed with the IRS or other relevant tax authority dated on or after October 1, 2017 that indicates a 2016 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.
- The student and/or spouse were employed in 2016 and have listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2016, and whether an IRS W-2 form is provided. [Provide copies of all 2016 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	Annual Amount Earned in 2016	IRS W-2 Provided?
<i>Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)</i>	<i>\$4,500.00</i>	<i>Yes</i>
Total Amount of Income Earned From Work	\$	

D. High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents to indicate the student's high school completion status when the student begins college in 2018–2019:

- A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of the "secondary school leaving certificate" or other similar document.
- A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- A State certificate or transcript received by a student after the student passed a State-authorized examination that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examination).
- An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a State where State law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a State where State law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a transcript, or the equivalent, signed by the student's parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

A student who is unable to obtain the documentation listed above must contact the financial aid office.

E. Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose

Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institution to verify his or her identity by
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

presenting an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed in the Presence of a Notary)

If the student is unable to appear in person at Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institution to verify his or her identity,
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

the student must provide to the institution:

- (a) A copy of the unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, or that is presented to a notary, such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport; and

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(b) The original Statement of Educational Purpose provided below, which must be notarized. If the notary statement appears on a separate page than the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be a clear indication that the Statement of Educational Purpose was the document notarized.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing
(Print Student's Name)
this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the Federal student financial assistance
I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending
Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institution for 2018–2019.
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

(Student's Signature) (Date)

(Student's ID Number)

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____ City/County of _____

On _____, before me, _____, personally appeared,
(Date) (Notary's name)

_____, and proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence of identi-
(Printed name of signer)

fication _____ to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing
(Type of unexpired government-issued photo ID provided)
instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal
(seal)

(Notary signature)
My commission expires on _____
(Date)

F. Certification and Signature

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

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

Spouse's Signature (Optional)

Date

A **2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be obtained through:

Get Transcript by MAIL – Go to www.irs.gov, under the Tool 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