



## 2018–2019 Standard Verification Worksheet

### V1-Independent Student

Your 2018–2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called “Verification”. The Financial Aid Office at your college must compare information from your FAFSA with information you provide on this worksheet and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your Financial Aid Office may require additional documentation and your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. You will not receive federal financial aid until all verification requirements are met and the necessary corrections made.

#### What You Should Do

1. If you (or your spouse, if you are married) are tax filers, obtain a **2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript** for yourself and/or your spouse. Request an IRS Tax Return Transcript online at [www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript](http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript) or by phone at 1-800-908-9946. Make sure you select an IRS Tax Return Transcript and NOT the IRS Tax Account Transcript. Be sure to specify **tax year 2016** when making your request. In place of the transcript, the Financial Aid Office can accept a complete signed copy of the preparer’s **2016 Federal Income Tax Return (Form 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ)** that was submitted to the IRS. **Important Note:** If you used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to transfer your 2016 income data into your FAFSA, you may not have to submit the IRS Tax Return Transcript.
2. If you (or your spouse) had income earned from work in 2016, but did not and were not required to file a tax return, you both must provide a **2016 Verification of Non-Filing Letter** dated on or after October 1, 2017, and all **W-2 forms** for tax year 2016 issued to you by your employers. Request a Verification of Non-Filing Letter at [www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript](http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript) or by phone at 1-800-908-9946.
3. Complete Sections A-C of this worksheet – you must sign the Section D certification on page 2 of the worksheet.
4. Submit the completed worksheet, tax return transcript(s) and any other required documents to the Financial Aid Office at your college.

#### A. Student’s Information

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|---|------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Student’s Last Name                         | First Name | M.I.                             | Student’s Social Security Number |
|   |            |                                  |                                  |
| Student’s Street Address (include apt. no.) |            | Student’s CUNYfirst ID / Empl ID |                                  |
|   |            |                                  |                                  |
| City, State, Zip Code                       |            | Student’s Date of Birth          |                                  |
|   |            |                                  |                                  |
| Student’s Phone Number (include area code)  |            | Student’s Email Address          |                                  |
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#### B. Student’s Household Information

List the people you will support between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019. Include:

- Yourself and your spouse (if you are married)
- Your other children if you (or your spouse) provide more than half of their support, even if they don’t live with you.
- Other people if they now live with you and you now provide more than half of their support and will continue to provide more than half of their support through June 30, 2019.

Write the name of the college below for any household member who 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.

*If more space is needed, attach a separate page with student’s name and the last 4 digits of student’s SSN at the top.*

| Full Name                  | Age       | Relationship  | College                 | Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time |
|----------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <i>Example: Jane Smith</i> | <i>18</i> | <i>Sister</i> | <i>State University</i> | <i>Yes</i>                          |
|                            |           | Self          |                         |                                     |
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| <b>Student Name:</b> | <b>Student SSN: XXX-XX- _____</b> |
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**C. Student/Spouse's Income Information to Be Verified**

*NOTE: Notify your Financial Aid Office if your or your spouse had a change in marital status after December 31, 2016. If you or your spouse filed an amended 2016 IRS tax return, you may be required to submit additional documentation to the Financial Aid Office at your college.*

**Check the appropriate box (or boxes):**

- I used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA-on-the-Web to transfer 2016 IRS income tax information into the FAFSA. [The income tax information from the FAFSA will be used to complete the verification process.]
- I did not (or could not) transfer my/our 2016 income information to the FAFSA using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool. I/we have attached to this worksheet a copy of my/our **2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript** or a signed preparer's copy of the **2016 Federal Income Tax Return (Form 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ)** that was submitted to the IRS. [If you filed a joint tax return, but reported your marital status on the FAFSA as separated, divorced or widowed, you must include copies of all IRS Form W-2s with the tax return transcript.]
- I/we have not filed (and are not required to file) a 2016 federal income tax return and I/we had no income earned from work in 2016. I/we have each attached a **2016 Verification of Non-Filing Letter** to this worksheet.
- I/we have not filed (and are not required to file) a 2016 federal income tax return but I/we had income earned from work in 2016 as listed below. I/we have each attached a **2016 Verification of Non-Filing Letter** to this worksheet. [List every employer and the amounts earned in 2016, even if an IRS Form W-2 was not issued. You must attach copies of all 2016 IRS Forms W-2 that were issued to you by your employers.]

*Only complete this grid if you are a non-tax filer that had earned income in 2016. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with student's name and the last 4 digits of student's SSN at the top.*

| <b>Employer's Name</b>      | <b>2016 Amount Earned</b> | <b>2016 IRS Form W2 Attached?</b> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Example: ABC Company</i> | <i>\$1367.75</i>          | <i>Yes</i>                        |
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**D. Certification and Signatures**

I/we certify that all the information reported on this worksheet is complete and correct. I/we understand that if we purposely give false or misleading information, I/we could be fined, jailed, or both. [If student is married, the spouse's signature is optional.]

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|--------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Student Signature</b> | <b>Date</b> |
|                          |             |
| <b>Spouse Signature</b>  | <b>Date</b> |
|                          |             |

**Do not mail this worksheet to the U.S. Department of Education.**

**Submit this worksheet to the Financial Aid Office at your college.**

**If you have any questions concerning the required documentation requested with this worksheet, please contact a financial aid representative at your college.**

**You should make a copy of this worksheet and all submitted documents for your records.**