



# Marital Status Verification Worksheet 2026-2027

## INDEPENDENT

- ❖ The Department of Education has determined there is conflicting information regarding your marital status.
- ❖ Please indicate your status in the space provided below.
- ❖ If you are married, you must provide your spouse's income tax information only if requested and only if you haven't already done so.
- ❖ The information you provide will be used to verify, update, or correct the information provided on the FAFSA.

A. \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name

N \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID#

\_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse Name (if applicable)

### B. Please check which of the following apply:

- I am single; never been married.
- I am married. Date of Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am not married; however, my partner and I live in one household.
- I am married; however, I am separated from my spouse. Date of Separation: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am divorced. Date of Divorce: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am widowed. Date of Widowed status: \_\_\_\_\_

The Financial Aid Office reserves the right to request additional documentation necessary to determine your status.

### CERTIFICATION: Read carefully before signing

I hereby certify that all information contained in this document, including supporting documentation is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. **I understand that if I am found to have knowingly or intentionally given false or fraudulent statements and/or documentation, I may be fined, sentenced to jail, or both.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

ID# \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*THIS PAGE IS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE. DO NOT MARK ON THIS PAGE\*\*\***

**Financial Aid Officer Evaluation:**

- No Further documentation is necessary.
- Further documentation is necessary; see below.

**I. Acceptable Documentation to Support Your Marital Separation.** Submit **ONE** of the following:

- Filed stamped copy of legal separation papers from the court or other filed stamped pre-divorce documents from your attorney.
- Letter from a social agency (ex. Social Services Counselor) stating that they are aware of your separation and that according to their files, you are considered separated for their program;
- Letter on business letterhead from a reputable third party (Religious/spiritual leader, marriage counselor, attorney, employer, landlord, etc.) who can confirm your marital separation in their professional capacity; or
- If you are a member of the military (or a dependent of military personnel), submit a letter from the Family Services Office, Unit Chaplain, or Unit S-1 Personnel Office.

**II. Other Acceptable Documentation to Support Your Marital Separation:** Select and submit from **TWO** of the items listed below if **ONE CANNOT** be provided from Section I:

**Note: You must provide a separate copy of each item you choose, one in your name and the other in the name of your spouse.**

- A copy of your lease/rental/mortgage documents showing that you are maintaining a separate household (*one for you and one for your spouse*);
- A copy of yours and your spouse's 2023/2024 federal tax return and W2's. If you filed a joint return, provide an explanation from your tax preparer as to why you continue to file a joint return;
- Phone bill (*one for you and one for your spouse*);
- Electric bill (*one for you and one for your spouse*);
- Water bill (*one for you and one for your spouse*);
- Personal property tax statement (*one for you and one for your spouse*); or
- Insurance policy (*one for you and one for your spouse*).

**Financial Aid Use Only**

Correction Made       No Correction Made      Date: \_\_\_\_\_      FAO: \_\_\_\_\_

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