



2016-2017 Verification Worksheet

Independent Student (F17IV1)

Your 2016–2017 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, the financial aid administrator at your school will compare your FAFSA with the information on this worksheet and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected.

You must complete and sign this worksheet, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to the financial aid administrator at your school. Your school may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact your financial aid administrator as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

A. Independent Student’s Information

Student’s Last Name	Student’s First Name	Student’s M.I.	Student’s MiraCosta ID Number
Student’s Street Address (include apt. no.)			Student’s Date of Birth
City	State	Zip Code	Student’s Email Address
Student’s Phone Number (include area code)			Student’s Alternate or Cell Phone Number

B. Independent Student’s Family Information

Clarification is needed for the total number of people reported in your household for the 2016-17 aid year.

List all people in your household. Include:

- Yourself (and your spouse),
- Your children, if you will provide more than half of their support and you will continue to provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.
- 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 through June 30, 2017.

***Shared living arrangement (i.e. roommate) is not the same as “support.” Support means: currently providing more than half of all living expenses for that person because that person listed has no means of self-support, or no one else is providing at least half of their support.**

Include the name of the college for any household member who will be enrolled at least half time in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at a postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

Full Name	Age	Relationship	College	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time
<i>Marty Jones(example)</i>	28	<i>Wife</i>	<i>Central University</i>	<i>Yes</i>
		<i>Self</i>		

If you need more space, attach a separate page that includes the student’s name and MiraCosta Student ID Number at the top.



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 in to your FAFSA record, select "Make FAFSA Corrections," and navigate to the Financial Information section of the form. From there, follow the instructions to determine if you are eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to transfer 2015 IRS income tax information into your FAFSA. 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. If you need more information about when, or how to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool see your financial aid administrator.

C. Independent Student’s Income Information to Be Verified

1. Check the box that applies:

- I have filed/will file my 2015 Federal Tax Return and I have/will utilize the IRS Data Retrieval Process when completing or correcting my FAFSA and did not/will not make any changes to that data.
- I have filed my 2015 Federal Tax Return but I did not/will not use the IRS Data Retrieval Process or I changed the information that was transferred, therefore I am attaching a copy of my 2015 Tax Return Transcript.*
- I worked, but I did not file a 2015 Federal Tax Return, and am not required to file a 2015 Federal Tax Return. I have attached W-2 forms or other earnings statements from each employer.*
- I did not file, and am not required to file a 2015 Federal Tax Return, because I did not work and did not earn income.

2. List all sources of untaxed income received during 2015 (include untaxed pensions, child support received, workers’ compensation, etc.)

DO NOT LEAVE THIS SECTION BLANK, IF NOT APPLICABLE PLEASE ENTER “0”

Sources of Untaxed Income	2015 Amount	Sources of Untaxed Income	2015 Amount
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$

D. Spouse’s Income Information to Be Verified (If married)

1. Check the box that applies:

- I have filed or will file my 2015 Federal Tax Return and I have/will utilize the IRS Data Retrieval Process when completing or correcting my FAFSA and did not/will not make any changes to that data.
- I have filed my 2015 Federal Tax Return but I did not/will not use the IRS Data Retrieval Process or I changed the information that was transferred, therefore I am attaching a copy of my 2015 Tax Return Transcript.*
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*We cannot accept copies of income tax returns; however, a copy of your IRS Tax Return Transcript is allowable. To obtain an IRS tax return transcript, go to www.irs.gov and click on "Get a Tax Transcript" link, or call 1-800-908-9946. Make sure to request the "IRS tax return transcript" and not the "IRS tax account transcript." You can also request a W-2 statement from the IRS.

Student's Name: _____ Student ID: _____

E. Independent Student's Other Information to Be Verified

1. Complete this section if someone in the student's household (listed in Section B) received benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP (formerly known as food stamps) any time during the 2014 or 2015 calendar years.

One of the persons listed in Section B of this worksheet received SNAP benefits in 2014 or 2015.

2. Complete this section if you and/or your spouse paid child support in 2015.

Either my spouse and/or I, who is listed in Section B, paid child support in 2015. List the name(s) of the person who paid the child support, the name(s) of the person(s) to whom the child support was paid to, the name(s) and age(s) of the child(ren) for whom child support was paid, and the total amount paid in 2015.

Do not report child support paid for the child(ren) included in your household size in Section B.

Name of Person Who Paid Child Support	Name of Person to Whom Child Support was Paid	Name of Child for Whom Support Was Paid	Age of Child for Whom Support Was Paid	Amount of Child Support Paid in 2015
<i>Marty Jones</i>	<i>Chris Smith (example)</i>	<i>Terry Jones</i>	<i>10 years old</i>	<i>\$6,000.00</i>

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F. Certification and Signature

I certify that all of the information reported on this worksheet is complete and correct. The student must sign this worksheet. If married, the spouse's signature is optional.

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

Student's Signature

Date

Spouse's Signature (optional)

Date

***Do not mail this worksheet to the U.S. Department of Education.
Submit this worksheet to the financial aid administrator at your school.***

You should make a copy of this worksheet for your records.