

2018 – 2019 High School Completion Status

Student's Name

Student's SSN

Provide **one** of the following documents that indicate the student's high school completion status when the student will begin college in 2018–2019:

- A copy of the student's high school diploma.
 - Evidence of passing the CASHEE may be required for CA High School graduates.
- A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
 - Evidence of passing the CASHEE may be required for CA High School graduates.
- A copy of the student's General Educational Development (GED) certificate, an official GED transcript that indicates the student passed the exam, or a state-authorized high school equivalent certificate.
- For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of the "secondary school leaving certificate" or other similar document.
- 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.
- If State law does not require a homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (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 documents the successful completion of a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.
 - A student who is "home-schooled" in California by a parent who does not hold a California teacher credential is not eligible, because that "school" would not meet the exemption definition of a "high school" in California.

If the student is unable to obtain the documentation listed above, he or she must contact the financial aid office.

*Submit Required Form(s) to the Financial Aid Office at
Sofia University – 1069 East Meadow Circle, Palo Alto, CA 94303
. Email financial_aid@sofia.edu.*

2018-2019
Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at _____ to
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

verify his or her identity by presenting a 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 with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student's ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the following:

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing this
(Print Student's Name)

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
_____ for 2018–2019.
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

(Student's ID Number)

2018-2019
Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed With Notary)

If you are unable to appear in person at _____ to
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)
verify his or her identity, the student must provide:

- (a) A copy of the valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, such as, but not limited to a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport; and
- (b) The original notarized Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing this
(Print Student's Name)
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
_____ 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, _____,
(Date) (Notary's name)

Personally appeared, _____, and provided to me
(Printed name of signer)
on basis of satisfactory evidence of identification _____
(Type of government-issued photo ID provided)
to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal
(Seal)

(Notary signature)

My commission expires on _____
(Date)

Dependent Student's Income Information to Be Verified

1. TAX RETURN FILERS—**Important Note:** If the student filed, or will file, an amended 2017 IRS tax return, the student must contact the financial aid administrator before completing this section.

Instructions: Complete this section if you, the student, filed or will file a 2017 income tax return with the IRS. *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 2016 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.*

Check the box that applies:

- The student has used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web to retrieve and transfer 2017 IRS income information into the student's FAFSA, either on the initial FAFSA or when making a correction to the FAFSA. *The student's school will use the IRS information that was transferred in the verification process.*
- The student has not yet used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web, but will use the tool to retrieve and transfer 2017 IRS income information into the student's FAFSA once the student has filed a 2017 IRS tax return. *See instructions above for information on how to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool. The student's school cannot complete the verification process until the IRS information has been transferred into the FAFSA.*
- The student is unable or chooses not to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web, and the student will submit to the school a **2017 IRS tax return transcript**—not a photocopy of the income tax return. *To obtain an IRS tax return transcript, go to www.irs.gov and click on the "Order a Return or Account 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 will need your Social Security Number, date of birth, and the address on file with the IRS (normally this will be the address used when the 2016 IRS tax return was filed). It takes up to two weeks for IRS income information to be available for electronic IRS tax return filers, and up to eight weeks for paper IRS tax return filers.*
- Check here if the student's IRS tax return transcript is attached to this worksheet.*
- Check here if the student's IRS tax return transcript will be submitted to the student's school later. Verification cannot be completed until the IRS tax return transcript has been submitted to the student's school.*

2. TAX RETURN NONFILERS — complete this section if the student will not file and is not required to file a 2017 income tax return with the IRS.

Check the box that applies:

- The student was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2017.
- The student was employed in 2017 and has listed below the names of all the student's employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2017, and whether an IRS W-2 form is attached. Attach copies of all 2017 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student by employers. *List every employer even if they did not issue an IRS W-2 form. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with the student's name and Social Security Number at the top.*

Employer's Name	2017 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Attached?
<i>Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)</i>	<i>\$2,000.00(example)</i>	<i>Yes(example)</i>

Student's Name _____ Student's SSN _____

A. Parent's Income Information to Be Verified— Note: If two parents were reported in Section B of this worksheet, the instructions and certifications below refer and apply to both parents.

1. TAX RETURN FILERS—Important Note: If the student's parent(s), filed or will file, an amended 2016 IRS tax return the student's financial aid administrator must be contacted before completing this section.

Instructions: Complete this section if the student's parent(s), filed or will file a 2017 income tax return with the IRS. *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool that is part of FAFSA on the Web. If the student's parent(s) have not already used the tool, the parent(s) and student should go to FAFSA.gov, log in to the student's FAFSA record, select "Make FAFSA Corrections," and navigate to the Financial Information section of the form. From there, follow the instructions to determine if the parent(s) is eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to transfer 2017 IRS income tax information into the student's 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.*

Check the box that applies:

- The student's parent has used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web to transfer 2017 IRS income information into the student's FAFSA, either on the initial FAFSA or when making a correction to the FAFSA. *The student's school will use the IRS information transferred into the student's FAFSA to complete the verification process.*
- The student's parent has not yet used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, but will use the tool to transfer 2017 IRS income information into the student's FAFSA once the parent's IRS tax return has been filed. *See instructions above for information on how to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool. The student's financial aid administrator cannot complete verification until the parent has transferred IRS information into the student's FAFSA.*
- The parent is unable or chooses not to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, and the parent will submit to the student's school a copy of the parent's **2017 IRS tax return transcript(s)**—not photocopies of the income tax return. *To obtain an IRS tax return transcript go to www.IRS.gov and click on the "Order a Return or Account Transcript" link, or call 1-800-908-9946. Make sure you order the "IRS tax return transcript" and not the "IRS tax account transcript." The parent will need his or her Social Security Number, date of birth, and the address on file with the IRS (normally this will be the address used when the 2017 IRS tax return was filed). It takes up to two weeks for IRS income information to be available for electronic IRS tax return filers, and up to eight weeks for paper tax return filers. If the parents are married, and separate 2017 tax returns were filed, 2017 IRS tax return transcripts must be submitted for each parent.*
- Check here if an IRS tax return transcript(s) is attached to this worksheet.*
- Check here if IRS tax return transcript(s) will be submitted to the student's school later. Verification cannot be completed until the IRS tax return transcript(s) has been submitted to the school.*

2. TAX RETURN NONFILERS— complete this section if the student's parent(s) will not file and is not required to file a 2016 income tax return with the IRS.

Check the box that applies:

- The parent(s) was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2017.
- The parent(s) was employed in 2017 and has listed below the names of all the parent's employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2017, and whether an IRS W-2 form is attached. Attach copies of all 2017 IRS W-2 forms issued to the parent(s) by employer(s). *List every employer even if they did not issue an IRS W-2 form. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with the student's name and Social Security Number at the top.*

Employer's Name	2017 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Attached?
<i>Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)</i>	<i>\$2,000.00 (example)</i>	<i>Yes (example)</i>

B. Parent's Government Assistance Verification: **Check this box if none of the items below applies**

1. If one of the persons listed in Section B of this worksheet received any of the following benefit in 2017, please check: (Please note: if asked by the Financial Aid Office, you are obligated to turn in the proof of the benefit)

- Received SSI Received TANF Received General Assistance Received SNAP (Food Stamps) in 2017

C. Child Support Paid: **Check this box if this does not applies**

1. One (or both) of the student's parents listed in Section B of this worksheet paid child support in 2017. List below the name of the person who paid the child support, the name of the person to whom the child support was paid, the names of the children for whom child support was paid, and the total annual amount of child support that was paid in 2017 for each child. If asked by the school, I will provide documentation of the payment of child support.

If you need more space, attach a separate page that includes the student's name and Social Security Number at the top.

Name of Person Who Paid Child Support	Name of Person to Whom Child Support was Paid	Name of Child for Whom Support Was Paid	Amount of Child Support Paid in 2017
<i>Marty Jones</i>	<i>Chris Smith (example)</i>	<i>Terry Jones</i>	<i>\$6,000.00</i>

1. Certification and Signatures

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the information reported on it is complete and correct. The student and one parent must sign and date.

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

Parent's Signature

Date

*Submit this Form to the Financial Aid Office at
Sofia University – 1069 East Meadow Circle, Palo Alto, CA 94303
Email financial_aid@sofia.edu.
You should make a copy of this worksheet for your records.*