Independent High School & Educational Purpose Verification Worksheet

Your 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has been selected for a process called verification. Per federal regulations, Southwestern University must confirm that the information you reported on the FAFSA is accurate. More information about Verification may be found on our website: http://www.southwestern.edu/aid/verification.php

A. Student Information (please print)

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B. Family Information (please print)

List the people in your parents’ household including:

- Yourself (student)
- Your spouse
- Your child(ren), even if they don’t live with you, **ONLY IF** (a) you will provide more than half of their support from 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2021, or (b) the child(ren) would be required to provide your information when applying for Federal Student Aid during the 2020-21 academic year.
- Other people **ONLY IF** (a) they live with you, (b) you provide more than half of their support, **AND** (c) you will continue to provide more than half of their support from 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2021.
- In addition, including the name of the college, for any household member, who will be attending college at least half-time in a degree, diploma or certificate program between 7/1/2020 and 6/30/2021.

If you need more space, attach a separate sheet.

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C. High School Completion

Per federal regulations, Southwestern University must receive documentation confirming your high school diploma, recognized equivalent, or homeschool credential. **NOTE: The documentation must be submitted to the Financial Aid Office, even if previously provided to another Southwestern University department/office (such as the Admission Office).**

Please check the box that best describes the documentation you will be submitted with this completed worksheet.

☐ Copy of the student’s high school diploma or final high school transcript showing the date the applicant completed secondary school

OR

☐ Copy of a recognized equivalent to a student’s high school diploma

* General Education Development Certificate
* Certificate recognized by the state as an equivalent to a diploma
* Academic transcript showing successful completion of at least a two-year program – fully acceptable toward a Bachelor’s Degree

OR

☐ Copy of homeschool documentation

* Transcript signed by student’s parent/guardian certifying completion of secondary education and courses completed by student
* State-issued home school certification credential

D. Identity Verification & Statement of Educational Purpose

As a part of the verification process, you must appear, in person, at the Financial Aid Office with the following:

* Valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as a driver’s license, state-issued ID, or passport
* You must sign this form in the presence of a Financial Aid official.

**NOTE: Our office will retain a copy of the student’s photo ID, annotated with date received and reviewed, with the name of the official authorized to receive and review the student’s ID.**

If the student is unable to appear in person, at Southwestern University, to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:

* A copy of the unexpired valid-government issued ID, that is acknowledged in the notary statement, or presented to a notary.
* The original Statement of Educational Purpose, which must be notarized (below)
E. Identity Verification & Statement of Educational Purpose (continued)

**Statement of Educational Purpose**

I certify that I __________________________ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose (Print Student’s Name).

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 University for 2020-2021.

______________________________  ________________  
Student’s Signature          Date

Student’s ID Number

**Notary’s Certificate of Acknowledgement**

(Only complete if student cannot appear in person)

State of ______________________City/County of ____________________ On _______________________.

before me, ______________________, personally appeared, ______________________ (Notary’s name) (Printed name of signer)

provided to me 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.

______________________________  
(Note signature)  WITNESS my hand and official seal (seal)

My commission expires on ____________________________  
Date
By signing this worksheet, we certify that all the information reported is complete and correct.

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

NOTE: You must print and sign this portion of the form.

_______________________________
Student Signature (REQUIRED) 

_______________________________
Spouse’s Signature (IF MARRIED) 

_______________________________
SU Financial Aid Staff Member’s Signature
(Only if witnessing in-person signatures of student and spouse) 

_______________________________
SU Financial Aid Staff Member’s Name & Title
(If signed above, must also copy original ID’s) 

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