

2017-2018 Independent Student Custom Verification Worksheet

Student's Name: _____ **Clarion ID:** _____
Please print clearly

Phone Number: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Your 2017–2018 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 must ask you to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, the Student Financial Services (SFS) Office staff 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. Clarion may also ask for additional information. **Note:** Federal aid will not be awarded or disbursed until verification is complete. Failure to complete the verification process in a timely manner may result in loss of federal grants and loans.

A. IDENTITY AND STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

You must appear in person either at Clarion University **OR** in front of a notary to verify your identity by presenting an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. Clarion University will need to maintain a copy of your ID.

Please indicate the method in which you will complete the Statement of Educational Purpose. Please check one box ONLY.

- I choose to complete the Statement of Educational Purpose in person at Clarion University in the Office of Student Financial Services. I will bring my government-issued ID with me for the office to make a copy.
- I choose to complete the Statement of Educational Purpose in front of a notary. I will present the notary with my government-issued ID as well as make a copy of my ID and submit it along with the below signed statement.

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 **Clarion University** for 2017-2018.

(Student's Signature) (Date) (Student's ID Number)

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____ City/County of _____ On _____
(Date)

before me, _____, personally appeared, _____,
(Notary's name) (Printed name of signer)

and proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence of identification _____
(Type of unexpired 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 _____



B. HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION STATUS

Please indicate which of the following documents the student will provide to indicate the student's high school completion status when the student begins college in 2017-2018. **NOTE: If you have already provided this information to the Admissions Office, please indicate this by checking the last box.**

- A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of the "secondary school leaving certificate" or other similar document.
- A state certificate or transcript received by a student after the student passed a State-authorized examination that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examination.)
- 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.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a state where state law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a state where state law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (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 includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.
- I have already provided this information to the Admission's Office.

C. CERTIFICATION

By signing this worksheet, I/we certify that all the information reported is complete and correct. I understand that the Clarion Student Financial Services Office will make corrections on the FAFSA if any differences are discovered during the verification process.

Student's Signature

Date

Spouse's Signature (Optional)

Date

FEDERAL WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.

**Mail or fax this signed form to:
Clarion University, Student Financial Services Office, 840 Wood Street, Clarion, PA 16214
Fax: 814-393-2520**

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