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## 2020-2021 Independent Verification Worksheet-V5

Your 2020 -2021 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, we will compare your FAFSA with the information on this institutional verification document and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. You (and your spouse) must complete and sign this institutional verification document, attach any required documents, and submit them to us. We may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact us as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

**All sections must be completed. If the answer to a question is N/A please indicate so *DO NOT* leave questions blank.**

### A. STUDENT'S INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UHV ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(include area code)

### B. NUMBER of HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS and NUMBER in COLLEGE:

Number of Household Members: List below the people in the student's household. Include:

- The **student**.
- The **student's spouse**, if the student is married.
- The **student's or spouse's children** if the student or spouse will provide more than half of the children's support from July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, even if the children do not live with the student.
- **Other people** if they now live with the student and the student or spouse provides more than half of the other person's support, and will continue to provide more than half of that person's support through June 30, 2021.

Number in College: Include in the space below information about any household member who is, or will be, enrolled at least half-time in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at an eligible postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021 and include the name of the college.

If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student's name and ID number at the top.

Name	Age	Relationship	College	Will be Enrolled at Least Half-Time (Yes or No)
		SELF	UHV	

**Note:** We may require additional documentation if we have reason to believe that the information regarding the household members enrolled in eligible postsecondary educational institutions is inaccurate.

To obtain a **2018 IRS Tax Return Transcript**, go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and under the Tools heading click on the "Get Transcript of Your Tax Records."

Click "Get Transcript ONLINE or by MAIL". Make sure to request the "IRS Tax Return Transcript", or call IRS 1-800-908-9946. Paper Request Form – IRS Form 4506T-EZ or IRS Form 4506-T are also available.

### C. INCOME INFORMATION

#### **STUDENT TAX FILERS: check the box that applies**

- The student has used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2018 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.
- The student has not yet used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in *FAFSA on the Web*, but will use the tool to transfer 2018 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.
- The student is unable or chooses not to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in *FAFSA on the Web*, and instead will provide the school with a **2018 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)**.

**OR**-----

#### **STUDENT NONTAX FILERS: check the box that applies**

- The student and spouse were not employed and had no income earned from work in 2018.
- The student and /or spouse were employed in 2018 and have listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2018, and whether an IRS W-2 is provided. [Provide copies of all IRS W-2 forms issued to the student and spouse by their employers] List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form.

**Please list employer and wages earned not filed with the IRS below:**

**If you need more space, attach a separate sheet.**

Employer's Name	2018 Annual Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Provided?
Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)	\$2000.00	Yes

**Note:** We may require you to provide documentation from the IRS that indicates a 2018 IRS income tax return was not filed with the IRS.

### D. IDENTITY AND STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE (complete section 1 or 2)

**You must appear in person or have the following statement notarized. Please check the box indicating your preference.**

**To Be Signed at the Institution**

The student must appear in person at the University of Houston-Victoria to verify his or her 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. The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the 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 University of Houston-Victoria for 2020-2021.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student ID Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

For Office Use Only:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Staff Member that Collected Form

\_\_\_\_\_  
Form of ID

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Collected

**Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose**

**2. To Be Signed With Notary**

If the student is unable to appear in person at the University of Houston-Victoria to verify his or her identity, the student must provide:

- (a) A copy of the unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, or that is presented to a notary, such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or a passport and
- (b) The original Statement of Educational Purpose provided below, which must be notarized. If the notary statement appears on a separate page than the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be clear indication that the Statement Educational Purpose was the document notarized.

**Statement of Educational Purpose**

I certify that I \_\_\_\_\_ am the individual  
(Print Student's Name)

signing this 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 the University of Houston-Victoria for 2020-2021.

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

**Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement**  
Notary's certification may vary by State

State of \_\_\_\_\_

City/County of \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) personally (Notary's name)  
appeared, \_\_\_\_\_, and proved to me  
(Printed name of signer)

on 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

**E. HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION STATUS**

Provide one of the following documents that indicate the student’s high school completion status when the student will begin college in 2019-2020: **(check the one you are submitting)**

- A copy of the student’s high school diploma.
- A copy of the student’s final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- 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).
- 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.
- 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.

**F. CERTIFICATIONS AND SIGNATURES:**

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct.

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

**Signature of Student:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Spouse (Optional):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

State law requires that you be informed of the following: (1) with few exceptions, you are entitled on request to be informed about the information the University collects about you by use of this form; (2) under sections 552.021 and 552.023 of the Government Code, you are entitled to receive and review the information; and (3) under section 559.004 of the Government Code, you are entitled to have the University correct information about you that is incorrect.
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