

# 2016–2017 Verification Worksheet Independent Student

Your 2016–2017 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and/or California Dream Application 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/California Dream Application. To verify that you provided correct information the financial aid administrator at your school will compare your FAFSA/California Dream Application with the information on this worksheet and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA/California Dream Application information 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.

Student's Last Name	Student's First Name	Student's M.I.	Student's Social Security Number	
Student's Street Address (include apt. no.)			Student's SCCID #	
City	State	Zip Code	Student's Email Address	

# B. Independent Student's Family Information

List below the people in your household, include:

- Yourself.
- Your spouse, if you are married.
- Your children, if any, if you will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, or if the child would be required to provide your information if they were completing a FAFSA/California Dream Application for 2016–2017. Include children who meet either of these standards, even if they do not live with you.
- 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.

Include the name of the college for any household member who will be enrolled <u>at least half time</u>, in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at a postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2016, and June 30, 2017. *If more space is needed, attach a separate page with your name and Social Security Number at the top.* 

Full Name	Age	Relationship	College	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time
Marty Jones(example)	28	Wife	Central University	Yes
		Self	Solano Community College	

## C. Independent Student's Income Information to Be Verified - fill out appropriate section:

1. <u>TAX RETURN FILERS</u>—Important Note: If you (or your spouse, if married) filed, or will file, an <u>amended</u> 2015 IRS tax return, you must contact your financial aid administrator before completing this section.

**Instructions**: Complete this section if you, the student, <u>filed or will file</u> a 2015 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 <u>FAFSA.gov</u>, 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 2-3 weeks for IRS income information to be available for the IRS Data Retrieval Tool for electronic IRS tax return filers, and up to 8-11 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:

☐ I, the student, <u>have used</u> the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web to transfer my (and, if married, my spouse's) 2015 IRS income information into my FAFSA, either on the initial FAFSA or when making a correction to the FAFSA. *Your school will use the IRS information that was transferred in the verification process.* 

I, the student, am <u>unable or choose not to</u> use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool on the FAFSA/California Dream Application **my IRS tax return transcript(s) is attached to this worksheet.** 

To obtain an IRS tax return transcript, go to <u>www.IRS.gov</u> and click on the "Order a Return or Account Transcript" link, or call 1-800-829-1040. 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 your 2015 IRS tax return was filed). It takes up to 2-3 weeks for IRS income information to be available for electronic IRS tax return filers, and up to 8-11 weeks for paper IRS tax return filers. If you are married and you and your spouse filed separate 2015 tax returns, you must submit tax return transcripts for both you and your spouse.

2. <u>TAX RETURN NONFILERS</u>—Complete this section if you, the student (and, if married, your spouse), will not file and are not required to file a 2015 income tax return with the IRS.

#### Check the box that applies:

The student (and, if married, the student's spouse) was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2015.

The student (and/or the student's spouse if married) was employed in 2015 and has listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2015.

Attach copies of all 2015 W-2 forms issued to you (and, if married, to your spouse) by employers. *List every employer* even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with your name and SSN at the top.

Employer's Name	2015 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Attached?
Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)	\$2,000.00	Yes

### D. 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. If asked by my school, I will provide documentation of the receipt of SNAP benefits during 2014 and/or 2015.

2. Complete this section if you or your spouse, if married, *paid* child support in 2015.

No Child support was *paid* in 2015.

Either I, or if married my spouse who is listed in Section B of this worksheet, *paid* child support in 2015. Complete chart below.

If asked by my school, I will provide documentation of the payment of child support. *If you need more space, attach a separate page that includes your 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 2015
Marty Jones(example)	Chris Smith	Terry Jones	\$6,000.00

#### E. 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** 

Date

Attn: Faxed copies will not be accepted. Originals must be submitted.

Do not mail this worksheet to the U.S. Department of Education.

Submit this worksheet to: Solano Community College Financial Aid Office 4000 Suisun Valley Road Fairfield, CA 94534-3197

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

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