



2012-2013
Independent Student Clarification Request
For Federal Student Aid Programs

Student's Full Name

ODU Student ID Number

Student's Address (include Apt. #)

Date of Birth

City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number (including Area Code)

On your 2012-2013 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), you indicated that you are an independent student for financial aid purposes due to one of the reasons listed below. Our office must verify your status as an independent student. Please answer the questions below and submit this form along with the required document(s) listed to the Financial Aid Office.

- Are you married?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** a copy of your marriage certificate or license.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** a copy of the original statement of service signed by, or by direction of, the adjutant, personnel officer, or commander of your unit or higher headquarters **which identifies you and your social security number**, and provides your date of entry on your current active duty period and the duration of any time lost.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** a copy of your DD-214.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- Do you have a child or children who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** a clear statement to include the name(s) of your child or children AND your source of income to support the child or children *more than 50%*.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- Do you have a dependent or dependents (other than your child, children or spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2013?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** a clear statement to include the name(s) of your dependents (other than your child, children or spouse) AND your source of income to support the dependent *more than 50%*.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- Are both of your biological parents deceased?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** a copy of the death certificate for both your biological father and mother.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- At any time since you turned age 13, were you in foster care or were you a ward of the court?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** formal documentation of your status in foster care or as a ward of the court, *even if you are no longer a dependent or ward of the court today*.
 - No. Continue with this form.

- As determined by a court in your state of residence, are you currently an emancipated minor or were you an emancipated minor immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** a copy of the court's decision that, as of today, you are an emancipated minor or were an emancipated minor immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state of residence.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- As determined by a court in your state of residence, are you currently in legal guardianship or were you in legal guardianship immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** a copy of the court's decision that, as of today, you are in legal guardianship in your state of residence or you were in legal guardianship immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state of residence.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- At any time on or after July, 1, 2011, did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** the supporting documentation from the school or school district official who made the determination.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- At any time on or after July, 1, 2011, did the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** the supporting documentation from the director who made the determination.
 - No. Continue with this form.
- At any time on or after July, 1, 2011, did the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?
 - Yes. If yes, **submit** the supporting documentation from the director who made the determination.
 - No. Continue with this form.

If none of the previous reasons describe your status, you are considered a dependent student. As a result, you must go to www.fafsa.gov and:

- A. Change your response to the question in Step Three to NO.
- B. Provide information about your parent(s) in Step Four.

If you have no contact with your parents and do not know where they live, you should discuss your situation with our office to determine what to do next.

If you are not sure who counts as your parent, check out "Who Is My 'Parent' When I Fill Out the FAFSA?" at www.studentaid.ed.gov/pubs.

By signing this request, I certify that all information reported is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that additional documentation may be required to verify the accuracy of the information. **WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, sentenced to jail, or both.**

Student Signature

Date

Submit completed form to:
Financial Aid Office, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus, OH 43219
Phone: (614) 251-4778 FAX: (614) 253-3499

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