



2014-2015
INDEPENDENT Student Special Circumstance Application
Divorce/Separation/Death of Spouse

This Special Circumstance Application is designed to aid students with specific situations that are not reflected on the FAFSA. **Before this application is reviewed, verification of the FAFSA must be complete.** Once the verification process is complete, applications are reviewed by a Committee and adjustments are made based on federal and state regulations. *Please note that changes made as a result of this application may or may not result in additional aid.* Decisions of the Committee are final.

Instructions:

1. Complete the V1 Standard: 2014-2015 INDEPENDENT Verification Worksheet (located under Applications and Forms at: www.ohiodominican.edu/finaid).
2. Request and submit a copy of your and your spouses' 2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript or use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool.
3. Complete and sign this Special Circumstance Application and turn in any supporting documents required to verify special circumstance including a personal statement.
4. Submit forms and documentation at the same time by fax, mail, or in person to the Financial Aid Office.
5. **Allow a minimum of 2 weeks for processing.** You will be notified by mail once a decision has been made.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student's Full Name

ODU Student ID Number

Student Phone Number (Including Area Code)

Student Daytime Phone Number

REASON FOR FILING – Divorce/Separation

- Indicate which household the children will be living in: Student _____ Spouse _____
- Required Documentation: Copy of divorce decree, OR letter from attorney stating marital status, OR documentation confirming separate residences (Ex.: utility bills), AND copy of student W-2 if tax return filed jointly.

REASON FOR FILING – Death of a Spouse

- Required Documentation: Copy of the Death Certificate or statement from clergy to verify the date of death.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

- Attach a personal statement to this application explaining the details of your specific situation.

I certify all information included with this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand additional documents may be requested to verify my circumstance(s).

Student's 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