

2025-2026 CHANGE IN STUDENT'S MARITAL STATUS APPEAL

Student Name (please print)

Spouse's Name (please print)

Campus ID Number

Who should submit this form?

Students who marry after filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as a dependent student. **Note:** Completion of this appeal does not guarantee approval of your request. This form is only for students. Parents of dependent students whose marital status changes after filing the FAFSA should contact the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid.

When should this form be submitted?

Please submit all documentation relating to your special circumstance appeal at least 4 weeks prior to the end of term to ensure our office has enough time to review and process. All appeals must be completed prior to the end of the semester for aid eligibility purposes. Incomplete forms or missing appeal documentation will be denied.

Have you already completed your 2025-2026 FAFSA?


- ☐ **No, complete and sign the 2025-2026 FAFSA** available at [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) based on your current dependency status.
- ☐ **Yes, correct your marital status on your 2025-2026 FAFSA** available at [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) to show that you are "Married." FAFSA Processing System (FPS) may retain and assign your FAFSA the status "Rejected" and forward it to the Office of The Scholarships and Financial Aid for review.

Required Documentation

Submit all of the following documents to substantiate your appeal:

- ☐ A copy of your marriage certificate.
- ☐ A completed copy of the 2025-2026 Household Size and Number in College Verification – Independent Student.
- ☒ A completed copy of the 2025-2026 Income Verification – Independent Student.
- ☐ A completed copy of the 2025-2025 Asset Verification Worksheet (including both your and your spouse's assets).
- ☐ A **signed** copy of your and your spouse's (if filed separately) 2023 IRS Tax Return(s) Form 1040 including any applicable Schedules: 1 and/or 3.
- ☐ A completed and signed copy of this appeal form including all above required documentation.

Certification and Signature

 **SIGNATURE REQUIRED:** I certify that the information I have provided on this form and on all documents is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Upon request, I will provide additional documentation to substantiate the information provided. I understand that based on the documentation provided changes in my FAFSA financial information may occur and may result in a change in financial aid eligibility.

- ☐ By submitting this appeal, I am indicating changes that more equitably reflect my current finances.
- ☐ I understand, if approved, parent income, assets, and household size data will be disregarded and my, the student, and my spouse's income, assets, and household size will be used.

Student Signature (Handwritten Required **OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE USING GLOBAL ID**)

Date