



2019-2020 Tax Filing Status Verification

Parent of Dependent Student

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Why have you received this form? The tax filing status provided on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) does not match your selected IRS tax filing status.

When should this form be submitted? Failure to complete and submit this form with all required documentation to the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid **within 21 business days** may result in the cancellation of your federal financial aid.

Student Information

Student Name (please print)

Campus ID Number

Parent 1 Name (please print)


Parent 2 Name (please print)

What was your 2017 Tax Filing Status as of December 31, 2017?

Please check the box next to your and your spouse's (if applicable) status as of **December 31, 2017**. Required Tax Filing Status information can be located on the IRS website at <https://www.irs.gov/help/ita/what-is-my-filing-status>.

2017 Tax Filing Status	Required Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/> I was married, but I was <u>separated</u> from my spouse for the <u>last six months</u> of the 2017 tax year.	IRS regulations allow an individual who is married to be considered unmarried and use the filing status of "Head of Household" when the person did not live in the same home as his/her spouse for the last six months of the 2017 tax year, paid more than half the cost of keeping up the home for the 2017 tax year, and had a qualifying person living in the house for more than half the year. <input type="checkbox"/> ATTACH documentation of separate residences for both you and your spouse (e.g. front and back copies of both parent's driver's licenses, lease agreement, copies of utility bills, legal separation/divorce papers).
<input type="checkbox"/> I was married and <u>not</u> separated from my spouse.	IRS regulations require the filing status "Married Filing Jointly" or "Married Filing Separately" for individuals who are married at the conclusion of the 2017 tax year. You need to amend your 2017 tax return to match your marital status. <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE and ATTACH a <u>signed</u> copy of your 2017 Amended Federal Tax Return (1040X) that shows your corrected tax filing status.

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. 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.

Parent Signature

Only one parent signature is required.

Date