

# Office of Financial Aid

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## 2016-2017 VERIFICATION FORM | INDEPENDENT STUDENT

**Purpose:** The Michigan State University Office of Financial Aid has received the results of your 2016-2017 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Review of your FAFSA has determined that additional information is necessary to continue processing your application for financial aid.

<b>Student Name</b>		<b>Student PID</b>	
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### Household Size Chart

**Number of Household Members:** List below the people in the student's household. Include:

- The student.
- The student's spouse, if the student is married.
- The student's or spouse's children if the student or spouse will provide more than half of the other person's support, and will continue to provide more than half of that person's support through June 30, 2017.

**Number in College:** Include in the space below information about any household member who is, or will be, enrolled at least half time in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at an eligible postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2016, and June 30, 2017, include the name of the college. If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student's name and PID number at the top.

Full Name	Age	Relationship	College	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time (Yes or No)
		<i>Self</i>		

**Note:** We may request additional documentation to verify college enrollment for other family members.

## Student and Spouse (if applicable) Income and Tax Information

Student and/or Spouse 2015 Tax Filing Information (Check the box that applies)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	The student and/or spouse transferred their IRS tax information directly from the IRS to the FAFSA using the <b>IRS Data Retrieval Tool</b> and made no changes to that information.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	The student and/or spouse <b>completed a federal tax return</b> and will provide the school with a 2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s).		
<input type="checkbox"/>	The student and/or spouse <b>did not file a tax return</b> , but the student <b>had some earnings</b> from work in 2015. <i>Complete the chart below listing all employers and total earnings. Provide all 2015 W-2s for these employers.</i>		
	<b>Employer's Name</b>	<b>IRS W-2 Provided?</b>	<b>Annual Amount Earned in 2015</b>
	<i>(Example) ABC's Auto Body Shop</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>\$4,500.00</i>
	<b>Total Amount of Income Earned From Work</b>		\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	The student and/or spouse did not file a tax return and the student <b>had no earnings</b> from work in 2015.		

## Additional Resources

<input type="checkbox"/>	Food Stamp Benefits – Student or spouse received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits (Food Stamps) in 2014 or 2015.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Support Received – Student or spouse received Child Support in 2015. <i>Complete the chart below. Do not include foster care payments, adoption payments, or any amount that was court ordered but not actually paid.</i>		
	<b>Name of Adult Who Received Support</b>	<b>Name of Child for Whom Support was Received</b>	<b>Amount of Child Support Received in 2015</b>

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A **2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be obtained through:

- **Online Request** - Go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), under the Tools heading on the IRS homepage, click "Get a Tax Transcript by Mail." Click "Get Transcript by MAIL." Make sure to request the "IRS Tax Return Transcript" and **NOT** the "IRS Tax Account Transcript."
- **Telephone Request** - 1-800-908-9946
- **Paper Request Form** - IRS Form 4506T-EZ or IRS Form 4506-T

In most cases, for electronic tax return filers, 2015 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) on the FAFSA application or the IRS Tax Return Transcript within 2–3 weeks after the 2015 electronic IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2015 paper IRS income tax returns, the 2015 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS DRT or the IRS Tax Return Transcript within 6–8 weeks after the 2015 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS. Contact the financial aid office if more information is needed about using the IRS DRT or obtaining an IRS Tax Return Transcript.

**Note:** Awarding of all financial aid is contingent upon the availability of funds.

## Certification and Signature

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

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Date

**WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.**

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Spouse's Signature (if applicable)

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Date

All correspondence and forms submitted to the Office of Financial Aid should include your name, PID and local address. **Failure to submit the requested information may prevent processing of your financial aid or cause the billing back of aid already received.**