



EASTERN OREGON
UNIVERSITY

High School and Educational Purpose Verification Worksheet

2020-21 Academic Year

V4 – Custom Verification Group

Your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has been selected for review in a process called, "Verification." During this process, the information from your FAFSA will be compared with your Federal IRS tax information as well as other financial documents. If there are differences, your information will be corrected. You must complete and sign this worksheet, attach all of the required documents, and submit it to the Financial Aid Office at Eastern Oregon University.

Verification must be completed before you will be eligible for Federal Financial Aid.

Instructions and F.A.Q. viewable at: eou.edu/fao/verification

EVERY QUESTION MUST BE ANSWERED. ATTACH ANY REQUIRED, SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO THIS FORM.

Additional forms downloadable from eou.edu/fao/fao-forms.

SECTION A – Student Demographics

Student First and Last Name:

EOU student ID: 910-

Phone Number: () -

Date of Birth:

EOU E-mail:

@eou.edu

SECTION B – High School Completion Status

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE ANSWER BOX.

If EOU's Admissions Office obtained and retains copies of the student's **high school diploma** or official high school transcript with date of graduation, check the box below titled, VERIFIED, and follow those directions. Otherwise check NOT VERIFIED and follow those instructions.

- If **VERIFIED**, check this box and skip to [Section C – Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose](#)
 If **NOT VERIFIED**, check this box and complete this section.

Provide one of the following documents to indicate the student's high school completion status when the student begins college in 2020–2021:

- a. A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- b. For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of the "secondary school leaving certificate" or other similar document.
- c. A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- d. A copy of a General Educational Development (GED) certificate or GED transcript that indicates the student passed the exam.
- e. A state certificate or transcript received by a student after the student passed a State-authorized examination that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examination).
- f. An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree.
- g. For a student who was homeschooled in a state where state law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- h. For a student who was homeschooled in a state where state law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a transcript, or the equivalent, signed by the student's parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.
- i. A copy of the student's DD-214 that shows high school completion.

A STUDENT WHO IS UNABLE TO OBTAIN THE DOCUMENTATION LISTED ABOVE MUST CONTACT THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE.

Attach verification of your high school completion status to this form.

END OF SECTION B – CONTINUE WITH [SECTION C – Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose](#)

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SECTION C – Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose**CHECK THE APPROPRIATE ANSWER BOX.****Will you be turning in this form in person?**

- If **NO**, check this box and **download** the supplemental form – *Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed in the Presence of a Notary)*– at b.link/isep21, complete and **attach** it to this form, **then skip to Section D – Certification and Signature**
- If **YES**, check this box and complete this section, but **DO NOT** sign your statement of educational purpose **until** you are **standing** in front of a financial aid officer in Inlow Hall **with your ID**.

The student must appear **in person** at Eastern Oregon University to verify his or her identity by presenting an **unexpired** valid government-issued photo identification (**ID**), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID.

In addition, the student must **sign, in the presence** of the institutional official, the Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I, _____, am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and
 (Print Student's Name)

that the Federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Eastern Oregon University for 2020-2021.

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

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(Student's ID Number)

END OF SECTION C – CONTINUE WITH SECTION D – Certification and Signature**INSTITUTIONAL USE ONLY**[article.media/33506](#) | [article.media/33567](#)**NO Military IDs**

Type of photo ID presented: _____. Is it unexpired and valid? _____. Official's name: _____

- U.S. Passport;
- Driver's License;
- Non-driver's identification card;
- Other state-issued ID;
- Permanent Resident Card or Resident Alien Card (I-551, can be photocopied for Title IV purposes);
- Certificate of Naturalization if it contains a recognizable photo (even though it does not have an expiration date);
- Inmate ID from a government facility (even if it does not have an expiration date); or
- State-issued voter ID (even if it does not have an expiration date).

For this purpose, a valid unexpired government-issued photo identification (**ID**) is one that is issued by the U.S. government, any of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, a federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native Tribe¹, American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau.

For a Certificate of Naturalization, if the institution cannot determine that it is the same student in the photo (such as one issued when the student was a baby) the student must provide the institution with either a Certificate of Naturalization with current photo (which may be impossible per DHS-USCIS issuing guidelines), or the student must provide the institution with an alternate form of government-issued photo identification that does contain a current recognizable photo. Such individuals could have gotten married or changed their name. If the institution has any suspicions about the Certificate of Naturalization, it should request additional documentation including but not limited to a government-issued name change documentation or a marriage certificate.

¹ A list of the federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes can be found at www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-02-01/pdf/2019-00897.pdf.

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SECTION D – Certification and Signature**BY SIGNING BELOW, THE STUDENT CERTIFIES THE FOLLOWING TO BE TRUE:**

- i. I am not in default on a federal student loan or I have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it.
- ii. I will not receive a Federal Pell Grant from more than one school for the same period of time.
- iii. I understand that the U.S. Secretary of Education has the authority to verify information used to apply for federal student aid with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies. Eastern Oregon University may request documentation to verify this information.
- iv. I understand to remain eligible to receive financial aid I must maintain satisfactory academic progress toward the completion of my academic program, the requirements for which are published at eou.edu/fao/sappolicy.
- v. I understand that withdrawing, dropping, or not attending my classes may lead to the reduction or cancellation of financial aid and it is my responsibility to consult with the EOU Financial Aid Office prior to changing my course load.
- vi. I understand that Eastern Oregon University and the U.S. Department of Education will pursue collections efforts for cancelled or reduced aid that I received and to which I am not entitled.
- vii. I understand that purposely providing false or misleading information to obtain student financial aid is a federal offense punishable by fines, imprisonment, or both.

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

EVERY APPLICABLE QUESTION MUST HAVE BEEN ANSWERED.

ATTACH ANY REQUIRED, SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO THIS FORM.

DID YOU ANSWER EVERY APPLICABLE QUESTION AND ATTACH THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS?

- If YES, check this box and sign below.
If NO, [review](#) this verification worksheet, complete it fully, and return to this question.

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

Student's Signature (Required)

Date

All submitted documents become part of your official record and therefore cannot be returned. Documents that become part of your Educational Record are protected for privacy under federal law (FERPA).

Please submit to: EOU FINANCIAL AID OFFICE, ONE UNIVERSITY BLVD, INLOW HALL # 104, LA GRANDE, OR 97850-2807
Questions? Call 541-962-3550.