

**Student Name:**

**Student ID/SSN:**

## 2020-2021 MARITAL STATUS QUESTIONNAIRE - Separated

On your FAFSA application you indicated that you are separated from your spouse (or your parents for dependent students). In order for us to complete your file, you will need to provide documentation verifying that you (or your parents) are **separated for the purpose of divorce** and are not receiving any support from the separated spouse (other than child support).

<b>Date of Separation:</b> _____	<b>Year of Last Joint Tax Return (2017, 2018*, Never, Other Year, etc.):</b> _____
<b>Status of Separation [check one]:</b> Temporary _____ Unknown _____ Divorce Pending _____	<b>If minor children are involved list any arrangements for child support and visitation:</b> _____ _____
<b>➤ Your Current Address:</b> _____ _____ _____	<b>➤ Spouse's Current Address:</b> _____ _____ _____

**You must provide a minimum of two (2) of the following documents along with this form:**

1. A copy of any pre-divorce documents from your attorney or the court.  
(If you provide this form of documentation, the additional form is not necessary.)
2. A letter from a social agency such as the Department of Human Services stating that they are aware of your separation and that according to their files, you are considered separated for their programs.
3. A notarized letter from a relative stating that they are aware of your separation and the date of separation.
4. A notarized letter from a non-member of the family such as a clergyman stating that they are aware of your separation and the date of separation.
5. A copy of your housing contract showing that you are maintaining a separate household. A copy of your spouse's housing contract may also be required.
6. Attach copies of utility bills for you and your spouse. The utility bills must show two separate street addresses.

As soon as you have obtained the above information, please return it to the financial aid office along with this form so that we can complete your request for financial aid. No further processing may continue without documentation of your separation status. Documentation does not guarantee approval. \*If you filed a joint tax 2018 tax return, you must provide an explanation of why you filed a joint return from you or your tax accountant. To avoid conflicting information your future tax returns should be filed "single" if divorced or as "married, filing separately" if divorce has not been finalized. **Your spouse's IRS Tax Transcript or tax return will be requested if sufficient documentation of separation is not provided.**

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**Student's Signature**

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**Date**

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**Parent's Signature (if Dependent)**

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**Date**