



2022-2023

Student Marital Status Clarification

Student's Name	Student's MSU Net ID	9 _____
MSU ID (9 digit)		

We are unable to continue processing your 2022-2023 application for financial aid because it contains conflicting information regarding your marital status. We need to know what your marital status was as of the date you signed the original *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)*. **This date can be found on the Student Aid Report (SAR) that you received from the U.S. Department of Education.** This form is very important, so please be careful when making your selection.

Please complete the following clarification question:

On the date my original FAFSA was signed, my marital status was:

- Never Married
- Married Date of Marriage _____
- Separated * Date of Separation _____
- Divorced Date of Divorce _____
- Remarried Date of Remarriage _____
- Widowed Date of Death _____

*Separation is defined as legally separated or informally separated when one of the partners has left the household for an indefinite period and the marriage are severed.

- I am requesting an adjustment to my original FAFSA to independent status due to recent marriage. Date of Marriage: _____
- I will provide the following:
 1. Marriage certificate
 2. Household Size/ College Verification Form
 3. Verification of Tax Information for yourself **and** your spouse.
 - a. **Tax Filer:** Copy of the 2020 Tax Return Transcript **or** 2020 **Signed** 1040 Form and appropriate schedules that were filed.
Or
 - b. **Nontax Filer:** The Independent Student Nontax Filer Form and the IRS Nontax Filer Confirmation Letter from the IRS

***** If you or your spouse did not file a 2020 tax return, must provide either a 2020 IRS Verification of Non-filing Letter or other relevant tax authority documentation. Documentation can be requested online at <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript>, calling 1-800-908-9946 or completing a 4506-T IRS form and submitting the form to the IRS by mail or fax. **OR**, a signed statement certifying that the individual attempted to obtain a confirmation of non-filing from the IRS and why they were unable to obtain the required documentation. This statement is acceptable if student was unable to get confirmation from the IRS.

Certification Statement

Signatures (Note: Signatures MUST BE HANDWRITTEN; electronic signatures will not be accepted.)

By signing this form, I certify that I have provided complete and accurate information to the best of my knowledge.

Warning: Purposely giving false or misleading information may result in a fine, imprisonment, or both.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

(Required for all students)