

STUDENT LAST NAME:	STUDENT FIRST NAME:	AU ID#:
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Dependent Student: Parental Marital Status

Your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) indicates that there is a discrepancy in your parent's marital status OR the status originally reported on the FAFSA has been changed. In order to resolve this discrepancy, please read and complete this form. Additional information may be required.

Section A – Current Marital Status:

Note: Dependent students, please provide the following information regarding the most current marital status of the parent whose information was provided on the FAFSA. If your parent has remarried, your stepparent's information **is required** on the FAFSA.

If your parent is:	Then:
<input type="checkbox"/> Married/Remarried	Enter date of marriage: Month _____ Year _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Divorced (not remarried)	Please attach a copy of the final court ordered divorce decree. Enter date of divorce: Month _____ Year _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Separated (with no intent to reconcile)	<i>Please see section B: Separation Documents</i> Enter date of separation: Month _____ Year _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Widowed	Please attach a copy of the death certificate
<input type="checkbox"/> Single	Please attach a statement, signed by the student and parent explaining the discrepancy in the marital status.

*****Complete the reverse side if the response to the current parent's marital status is SEPARATED. IF NOT, please sign, date this page and provide documentation requested.*****

Certification and Signatures

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the information on it is complete and correct. Electronic corrections to your FAFSA may be made by our office if there are discrepancies between the information on this form and the data you filed on your FAFSA. The student and one parent must sign and date this form.

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

Section B: Separation Documentation

This section is only if the response to the current parent's marital status is SEPARATED in Section A of this form.

Marital separation is defined as: **(a)** one of the partners has left the household for an indefinite period; **AND (b)** the marriage is permanently severed. If your circumstance does not meet **BOTH** parts of this definition, then you are required to report your spouse's information on the FAFSA. In order for us to verify the status of separation, please provide all of the following items:

- PROOF OF SEPARATE RESIDENCES:** Provide proof that the parents live at separate residences, as of the date of separation, by submitting copies of: a lease/contract agreements showing each spouse is maintaining a different residence OR separate utility bills such as water/electric/gas. Hand written letters will not be accepted.
Note: P.O. Boxes do not qualify as proof of separate residences.
- TAX RETURN(S) AND W2's:** Submit the **2017** Federal Income Tax Return and **2017** W2's for the parents. (Be sure to include all 1099-Rs and schedules – if applicable)
- REFERENCE LETTERS:** Please attach two letters from reputable and impartial third party sources who can endorse confirmation of the separation claim. For example, clergy person, marriage counselor, and/or an attorney can provide such a letter. The letters should state the date of separation, living arrangements, length of time they have known the parent and their knowledge of these events. Please make sure it is legible and includes the person's full printed name, address, contact information, and their signature.

Documentation submitted must be reviewed and approved before financial aid will be awarded. Submission of the requested documentation does not guarantee approval.

Attach all supporting documents to this form and submit to:

Adelphi University
Office of Student Financial Services
1 South Avenue
Levermore Hall, Lower Level - Room 1
Garden City, NY 11530

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