2015-16 Verification of Tax Filing Status - Parent

To verify your eligibility for financial aid, additional information or clarification of your parent(s) marital status is required. The information provided on the FAFSA does not appear to match the selected IRS tax filing status. **Within 14 business days** please complete and submit this form and the required documentation to the Office of Student Financial Aid. If they are not submitted, your financial aid will be canceled.

Tax filing status information is located on the [Internal Revenue Service website](https://www.irs.gov/uac/What-is-My-Filing-Status%3F).


**Your parent(s) 2014 Federal Tax Filing Status:** __________________________

**Check one of the following and submit the required documentation**

- **My parents are currently married and are not separated.**
  
  IRS regulations require the filing status “Married Filing Jointly” or “Married Filing Separately” for individuals who are married at the conclusion of the 2014 tax year.
  
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  A signed copy of your parents’ Form 1040X (amended return) form that shows the corrected tax filing status. If each parent files ‘Married Filing Separately,’ please attach copies of both amended tax returns.

- **My parents are currently married but they were separated for the last six months of the 2014 tax year.**
  
  IRS regulations allow an individual who is married to be considered unmarried and use filing status of ‘Head of Household’ when the person did not live in the same home as his/her spouse for the last six months of the 2014 tax year, paid more than ½ the cost of keeping up the home for the year, and had a qualifying person living in the house for more than ½ the year.
  
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  Documentation of the addresses of both parents. Documentation examples: copies of home utility bills, copies of home or apartment rental agreements, or a copy of the pending divorce court decision.

**REQUIRED SIGNATURES:** I/we certify that all information reported on this form is complete and correct. I/we understand that changes in my FAFSA financial information based on the documentation provided may result in a change in financial aid eligibility.

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Print your name and student ID number on all documents - Return this form with all documents attached to:

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