



University of South Carolina Beaufort
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2020-2021 Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose – V5

Your 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called **verification**. In order to process your financial aid for the 2020-2021 academic year, we need to gather additional information about you, as required by the U.S. Department of Education (*34 CFR, Part 668*).

According to federal regulations, the Financial Aid Office must verify your FAFSA information before we can award you financial aid. Please complete and sign the form, attach any required documents, and submit it to the address, fax or email above. **Blank or incomplete forms will not be processed.** If you have questions about the process, you can contact us at the number above.

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Student VIP ID
Student's Email Address			Telephone Number

You must verify your identity and sign a Statement of Educational Purpose.

Please indicate below which method you will be using to complete this form:

- Complete and sign the first page of this form in the presence of one of our USCB Financial Aid Representatives.
-OR-
- Sign the second page of this form in the presence of a notary, and submit both pages to the Financial Aid Office upon completion.

Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at **The University of South Carolina Beaufort** to verify his or her identity by presenting a valid government-issued photo identification, 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 with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student's ID.

In addition, the student must sign in the presence of the institutional official.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I, _____, am the individual signing this statement of Educational Purpose and the federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending **The University of South Carolina Beaufort** for 2020-2021. I also certify that I am not in default on a federal student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it, do not owe money back on a federal student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it, will notify my college if I default on a federal student loan and will not receive a Federal Pell Grant from more than one college for the same period of time.

Student's Signature	Date
University Official's Signature	Date

Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed With Notary)

If the student is unable to appear in person at The University of South Carolina Beaufort to verify his or her identity, the student must provide:

- (a) A copy of the valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledge in the notary statement below, such as, but not limited to a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport; and
- (b) The original notarized Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

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Student’s Signature

Date

Notary’s Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____

City/County of _____

On _____, before me _____
(Date) (Notary’s name)

Personally appeared, _____,
(Printed name of student)

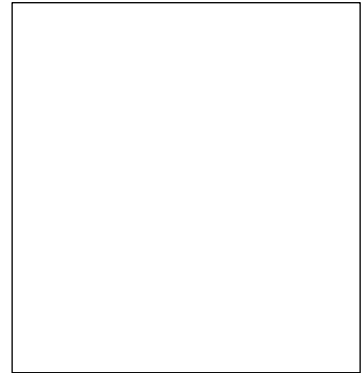
and provided to me on basis of satisfactory evidence of identification

(Type of government-issued photo ID provided)
to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal _____
(Notary’s signature)

My commission expires on _____
(Date)

Notary Seal



High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents that indicate your high school completion status when you will begin college in 2020 – 2021:

- I have a High School Diploma –
 - I am attaching a copy of my High School Diploma.
 - I am attaching a copy of my final High School transcript, which includes the date I completed High School.

- I have a GED
 - I am attaching a copy of my GED Certificate.
 - I am attaching a copy of my GED Transcript.

- I received a State Certificate
 - I am attaching the certificate recognized by the State of South Carolina as an equivalent to a diploma.

- I was Home Schooled
 - I am attaching a copy of my transcript or equivalent.

- I have none of the above
 - I am attaching a signed statement from my High School stating I excelled academically.
 - I am attaching an academic transcript that indicates that I successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree.

By signing this document, I certify that all the information reported on it is true and accurate. If I purposely give false or misleading information on this document, it will be cause for denial or repayment of financial aid and I may also be fined, sentenced to jail, or both.

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature (required, if dependent)

Date

Spouse's Signature (optional)

Date

Signature of person who paid child support

Date