

# Verification Worksheet

Your Student Aid Report (SAR) indicates that you have been selected for verification of federal financial aid eligibility. You must submit a verification worksheet and provide the required Income Verification documentation to our office.

# **INSTRUCTIONS:**

#### **Verification Worksheet**

Complete pages 3 and 4 of this document and return it to the financial aid office.

# **Income Verification**

Tax filers selected for federal verification for the 2017-18 year can provide IRS Income Verification by submitting a signed copy of the 2015 federal tax return filed with the IRS or a copy of the 2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript. Married tax filers with separate returns must provide signed tax returns or transcripts for both spouses.

Tax transcripts are available from the IRS free of charge. You will need to provide identifying information including: tax filing status, Social Security Number and date of birth of the first person listed on the income tax return, and the address on file with the IRS (Typically this will be the address used on the 2015 income tax return). Be sure to choose Return Transcript when selecting the transcript type. More information is available at www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript.

#### **Requesting IRS Tax Transcripts**

- To request an electronic transcript to print or download online: Visit www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript to register for immediate access to your tax transcript online. To protect your tax information, you will need to provide additional information to verify your identity.
- To request a transcript delivered by mail: There are three options for requesting a copy of your tax transcript be sent by mail. 1) Request a transcript by mail online at www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript, 2) Call the transcript request automated phone system at 800-908-9946, or 3) Submit Form 4506-T (available at www.irs.gov) to the IRS by mail or fax. If you choose this option you may request that the IRS send your Tax Transcript directly to the Wesleyan Financial Aid Office as a third party. However, we recommend that you also have a copy for your own records.

Families with unusual circumstances may be required to provide alternative documentation for income verification. Refer to Verification of Income Information for Individuals with Unusual Circumstances on page 2 for additional instructions for the following situations:

- Filers of Amended Tax Returns (Form 1040X)
- IRS Tax Extension Granted (Form 4868)
- Victims of IRS Tax-Related Identity Theft
- Filers of Non-IRS Income Tax Returns

# Non-tax filers

Those who did not file and were not required to file a 2015 income tax return with the IRS must complete the applicable sections of the Verification Worksheet, listing all sources and amounts of income earned from work in 2015 and providing copies of any W-2 forms.

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# Verification of Income Information for Individuals with Unusual Circumstances

# **Amended IRS Income Tax Returns**

An individual who filed an amended IRS income tax return for tax year 2015 must provide:

- A signed copy of the originally filed 2015 IRS tax return or a 2015 Tax Return Transcript (that will only include information from the original tax return and does not have to be signed) or any other IRS tax transcript(s) that includes all of the income and tax information required to be verified; and
- A signed copy of the 2015 IRS Form 1040X (Amended U.S. Individual Tax Return) that was filed with the IRS.

# Victims of IRS Tax-Related Identity Theft

An individual who was the victim of IRS tax-related identity theft who cannot use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool or get a tax return transcript must provide:

- A signed copy of the 2015 federal tax return filed with the IRS or a copy of the Tax Return DataBase View (TRDBV) transcript obtained from the IRS, or any other IRS tax transcript(s) that includes all of the income and tax information required to be verified; and
- A statement signed and dated by the tax filer indicating that he or she was a victim of IRS tax related identity theft and that the IRS is aware of the tax-related identity theft.

#### **Non-IRS Income Tax Returns**

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- A tax filer who filed an income tax return with Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or the U.S. Virgin Islands may provide a signed copy of his or her income tax return that was filed with the relevant tax authority. Please note: the tax filer may be required to provide us with a copy of the tax account information issued by the relevant tax authority before verification can be completed.
- A tax filer who filed an income tax return with the tax authority for American Samoa must provide a copy of his or her tax account information.
- A tax filer who filed an income tax return with tax authorities not mentioned above, i.e. a foreign tax authority, and who indicates that he or she is unable to obtain the tax account information free of charge, must provide documentation that the tax authority charges a fee to obtain that information, along with a signed copy of his or her income tax return that was filed with the relevant tax authority

Submit pages 3 & 4 of this Verification Worksheet and applicable income verification documents to:

Wesleyan University Office of Financial Aid 237 High Street Middletown, CT 06459 finaid@wesleyan.edu

NOTE: IRS Income Verification does not replace Wesleyan's federal tax return (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ) requirement(s).

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# STEP 1 - STUDENT INFORMATION

Last Name	First Name	Social Security Number	Student ID Number	
Permanent Address	Street & Number	City/State/Zip	Date of Birth	
Local Phone Number (Include Area Code)	Permanent Phone Numbe	Permanent Phone Number (Include Area Code)		

# STEP 2 - HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

# If you are a dependent student, include:

- Yourself
- Your parent(s)\* (including step-parents)
- Your parent(s)' other dependent children if: your parent(s) will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, OR the children would be required to provide parental information when completing a FAFSA for 2017-2018 to apply for Federal Student Aid
- Other people only if they now live in your parent(s)' household and your parents will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018

# If you are an independent student, include:

- Yourself
- Your spouse (if you are married)
- You or your spouse's children if you or your spouse will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, even if the children do not live with the you
- Other people only if they live in your household and you provide more than half of their support and will continue to do so from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018

\*See "Who is considered a parent?" in the FAFSA Help section at https://fafsa.ed.gov/ for more information.

Full Name	Age	Relationship	Will be enrolled in college/university at least half time in 2017-18 (Yes or No)	Name of College/Degree (If at least half-time 2017-18)
		Self	Yes	Wesleyan University/ Bachelors

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# STEP 3 – STUDENT 2015 TAX FILING & INCOME INFORMATION

Were you required to file a 2015 Federal Income Tax Return?	)		
YES and I have provided the required IRS Income Verification		s 1-2). Continue to STEP 4.	
NO and I have completed the table below for all income earner	,	,	
on pages 1-2). If you did not earn any income from work, please write	re "none" or "not applicable." Continue to ST	ΓΕΡ 4.	
Employer (Fill out only if you did NOT file taxes)	IRS W-2 Form Provided (Yes or No)	Amount Earned in 2015	
	Total 2015 Income From Work:		
STEP 4 –SPOUSE OR PARENT 2015 TAX FILIN  Were you required to file a 2015 Federal Income Tax Return?			
YES and I have provided the required IRS Income Verification status after December 31, 2015, please notify the financial aid office.	on documentation (See instructions on page	es 1-2).If there was a change in marital	
<b>NO</b> and I have completed the table below for all income earn on pages 1-2). If you did not earn any income from work, please write			
Employer (Fill out only if you did NOT file taxes)	IRS W-2 Form Provided (Yes or No)	Amount Earned in 2015	
	Total 2015 Income From Work:		
STEP 5 – CERTIFICATION: By signing this workship	eet, I certify that all information repo	orted is complete and correct:	
Student Signature Date	Student Name (Please	e Print) Wesleyan ID Number	
Parent Signature (IF student is dependent) / Spouse Signature (IF Student is dependent)	nt is married) Date	Parent/Spouse Name (Please print)	

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