



# MADISON COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID

## Independent Status Verification Form

On the original Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) you submitted, you indicated that you are an independent student. For additional information about Independent Status, go to [madisoncollege.edu/dependency-status](http://madisoncollege.edu/dependency-status). Please be aware that you will not receive financial aid until all documentation is received and reviewed. Therefore, failure to submit this form and any necessary documentation in a timely manner and/or provide accurate information may significantly delay the processing, awarding and potential disbursement of financial aid funds.

**INSTRUCTIONS** - In order to determine your financial aid eligibility, you must complete the information requested below and submit along with the appropriate documentation.

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### STUDENT INFORMATION

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

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### DEPENDENCY INFORMATION & SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Review the following information, select the statement that correctly identifies your situation, and submit documentation as directed. Please check **only one** and submit with a copy of the supporting document(s) listed:

I am an **orphan** as both of my parents are deceased and I do not have an adoptive parent. Include a copy of your birth certificate, along with copies of both parents' death certificates.

I was a dependent or **ward of the court** at any time since I turned age 13, even if I am no longer a dependent or ward of the court as of today. Include a copy of the court documents showing this information.

I was in **foster care** at any time since I turned age 13, even if I am no longer in foster care as of today. Include a copy of the court documents showing this information.

I was an **emancipated minor** before I reached the age of being an adult (majority) in my state. Include a copy of the court documents showing this information.

I was in a **legal guardianship** before I reached the age of being an adult (majority) in my state. Include a copy of the court documents showing this information. Please note: the definition of legal guardianship does not include your parents, even if they were appointed by a court to be your guardians.

I am **NOT an independent student** for financial aid purposes and have made corrections to my FAFSA to include my parent(s) information.

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### SIGNATURE

*By signing, I certify that the information provided above is true and that I understand that my financial aid eligibility will be determined based on this information.*

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*Electronic signatures are not accepted.\*

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### SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Please sign and submit your completed form in **one** of the following ways:

- Email: [financialaid@madisoncollege.edu](mailto:financialaid@madisoncollege.edu)
- Mail: Madison College Financial Aid, 1701 Wright Street, Madison, WI 53704
- Fax: (608) 243-4245
- In Person: At the Truax Enrollment Center or at any Regional or Metro campus