

2021-2022 Verification of Independent Status

Directions: Your independent status is based on your answer to the dependency questions on the FAFSA. You are required to submit legal documentation verifying your status before your aid can be disbursed. **NOTE:** If none of the situations below apply to you because you answered the question incorrectly on the FAFSA, you must correct your FAFSA at fafsa.ed.gov and provide parental information.

How to Submit Form: Upload through the [Document Uploader](#), mail to University of Texas at San Antonio, **Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships**, One UTSA Circle, San Antonio TX 78249 or at the dropbox in front of the One Stop office. **Documentation submitted by fax or e-mail will not be accepted.**

Priority Submission Deadlines: Fall 2021: July 1, 2021 Spring 2022: November 30, 2021

STEP 1

Check the appropriate box for your situation and submit the required documentation needed to review your request. Incomplete applications cannot be processed.

Please check one below: **Additional documentation may be requested once submitted paperwork is reviewed**

Military: Select if you are currently Active Duty in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Attach documentation from the Defense Finance and Accounting Services (DFAS) or any documentation that indicates you are currently serving and have an "Active Duty" status with the U.S. Armed Forces such as a military duty statement or a copy of your most current orders.

Foster Care: Select if you currently are, or at one point were in foster care from the age of 13 or older.

Attach legal documentation from your state of residency. Only official state documentation will be accepted.

Emancipated Minor: Select if you are an emancipated minor as determined by a court in your state of legal residence before the age of 18.

Attach a copy of a court's decision that you are or were an emancipated minor. Only official court documentation will be accepted.

Legal Guardianship: Select if you were placed under legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence before the age of 18.

Attach a copy of a court's decision that you are or were in legal guardianship. Only official court documentation will be accepted.

Orphan: Select if both of your parents were deceased from the age of 13 on, even if you were subsequently adopted.

Attach a copy of your birth certificate, along with a copy of each parent's death certificate.

Ward of the Court: Select if you currently are or were a ward/dependent of the court at any time from the age of 13 or older. (This is applicable even if you are no longer a dependent/ward of the court as of today).

Attach a letter from your social worker confirming that you were a dependent of the court, or a letter stating that you are a participant in the Living Skills Program (ILSP), or other court documentation showing that you were removed from your home because it posed a direct threat to your well-being.

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