



Bear ID _____

2023-2024 Independent Verification Form

Your application has been selected for verification. You and your spouse, if married now (even if you were not married in 2021) must provide the following information before any financial aid funds are awarded. You must sign this form on the reverse side.

Student Name: _____ Mobile/Cell # _____

Permanent Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Marital Status:

- Single
 Married
 Divorced
 Separated
 Widowed

Household Information

Between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024 - who will you/your spouse support?

- Include yourself & your spouse
- Include your children if they get more than half of their support from you.
- Include other dependents if: they now live with you, and they now get more than half of their support from you and that support will continue between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024.

Full Name	Age	Relationship to Student	Name of College Attending in 2023-2024**
		Self	Bridgewater State University

**Must be accepted in a degree program and attending college at least half-time in 2023-2024

COMPLETE BOTH SIDES AND SIGN ON REVERSE SIDE

Federal Tax Return Information

Student/Spouse Tax Status Statement – Check applicable box below

	I will/have opted to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to www.fafsa.ed.gov to access your FAFSA and retrieve your data.
	I will not use the Data Retrieval Tool. – submit one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An official 2021 IRS Tax Return Transcript (requested at www.irs.gov), or • A signed copy of your 2021 Federal 1040 Income Tax Return
	I (we) did not file and am not required to file a 2021 tax return. Complete the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2021 Wages earned by student (and spouse): \$_____ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I have attached all W-2's or the IRS Wage & Income Transcript (www.irs.gov) <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of 2021 IRS Verification of Non-Filing - VNF (www.irs.gov) <input type="checkbox"/> I attempted to obtain the IRS VNF on: _____, but was unable to obtain. Date

Income received from the following sources (Please check appropriate boxes below)

Student/Spouse

	Welfare Benefits, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Subsidized Housing
	Social Security Benefits received for all household members that were not taxed (such as SSI)

- ❖ It is imperative that you continue to monitor and check your award status.
- ❖ All notifications are sent via BSU email, which is the official means of communication at BSU.
- ❖ You should frequently check your financial aid status via the student portal, INFOBEAR.
- ❖ For assistance logging in to your account, contact the IT Help Desk at 508-531-2555.
- ❖ It is important to notify the Financial Aid Office of changes in enrollment, housing status and outside resources, as these could result in an award adjustment.

Failure to submit this completed, signed document in a timely manner could result in a loss of BSU funds.

Signature/Certification

I certify that all information submitted with and written on this application is complete, accurate, and that corrections may be made based on data provided. An actual signature is required – digital/typed signatures are not acceptable.

Student Signature

Date

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

Forward the completed form, along with any other requested documents to:
Financial Aid Office, Bridgewater State University, 45 Plymouth Street, Bridgewater, MA 02325