

2020-21 Notification of Special Circumstances

Submit this document if there are special circumstances that should be taken into consideration during the initial evaluation for aid, or if after you receive your financial aid award you believe there were circumstances or financial details that were not addressed. This form is used as a supplement to the university need-based grant application and families should provide new financial details not originally included in the application documents. Any request for need-based re-evaluation must begin with the submission of this special circumstance form and the required documentation.

From the chart below select and check the box for the category most relevant to your situation. You can select multiple categories. Complete the sections for each category you have selected and submit this form and the required documentation to the Office of Financial Aid either by standard mail or by using the Office of Financial Aid secure upload process. Contact Martha Rowsey (540) 458-8717 to initiate a secure upload.

Category	Documents Required for Appeal	Sections to be Completed
1. Change in Employment/Income (Loss of job, reduction in wages, mandatory retirement, etc.)	 Documentation of unemployment benefits Copy of separation notice and final paystub Documentation of severance package or any paid-out vacation and sick days 	Sections 1, 2, 6 & 7
2. One-time income gain (2017) (IRA withdrawal, one-time capital gain, inheritance, life insurance, etc.)	Documentation of one-time gain	Sections 1, 4, 6 & 7
3. Uncommon Expenses (Medical, excessive or untypical debt, home damage, two households, etc.)	 Copies of bills designating the amount not covered by your medical insurance Copies of invoices related to debt Copies of bills related to damages not covered by your insurance. 	Sections 1, 3, 6 & 7
4. Family Member Support (support for family member(s) not living in household)	Documentation of support providedLetter of explanation	Sections 1, 3, 5, 6 & 7
5. Other Circumstances	A personal statement and supporting documentation	Sections 1, 2, 3, 6 & 7

Section 1: Student/ Parent Information:

Student Name:	Class Year:
Parent Name:	Parent Email:
Parent Phone Number:	Date:
I/We certify the information submitted on this form is tri immediately if our circumstances change.	ue and accurate. I/We will notify the Financial Aid Office
Parent Signature:	Student Signature:



Section 2: Household Income:

Your university need-based grant eligibility for the 2020-21 academic year is based on your 2018 income. Complete this section if your resources for the 2020-2021 academic year will be significantly different. Enter your actual 2018 income in Column (A) and your updated income in Column (B). This section is complete only if you indicate in Column (B) the source (Option 1 or 2) of your updated income values.

- * Option 1: Change in 2019 Income There was a significant decrease in 2019 income from 2018. Enter actual 2019 income values in Column B. Submit complete 2019 federal tax returns with this form.
- * Option 2: Change in 2020 Income There is a significant decrease in current income from 2018. Estimate income for the calendar year 2020 and enter the estimated values in Column B. Your 2019 tax returns and other documentation to support income projections must be provided.

Income	(A) Current 2018 Income	(B) Income based on *Option		
Income from Wages, Salaries, Compensation from Jobs				
Father's gross wages/salary/tips (Attach W-2 form or pay stub)	\$	\$		
Mother's gross wages/salary/tips (Attach W-2 form or pay stub)	\$	\$		
Student's gross wages/salary/tips (Attach W-2 form or pay stub)	\$	\$		
Net income from business or farm	\$	\$		
Net rental/partnership/royalties/trust income	\$	\$		
Interest/dividends	\$	\$		
Capital gain/loss	\$	\$		
Severance pay/vacation pay/sick pay	\$	\$		
Unemployment Compensation	\$	\$		
Workers' compensation/disability benefits	\$	\$		
Pensions/annuities	\$	\$		
Alimony/spousal support	\$	\$		
Social Security	\$	\$		
Other taxable Income Please provide details:	\$	\$		
Untaxed Income				
Child support received for all children	\$	\$		
Veteran's Benefits	\$	\$		
House Allowance (military, clergy, etc.)	\$	\$		
Other untaxed income (i.e. foreign income exclusion, worker's compensation, untaxed pensions, SS Benefits, etc.)	\$	\$		
TOTALS: (taxed and untaxed)	\$	\$		



Section 3: Household Expenses:

Next to each item, fill in the dollar amount of your family's average monthly living expenses. If your family shares living expenses with others, indicate only that portion of expenses which your family pays. If an expense occurs other than monthly, please convert into a monthly average. Report only your family's living expenses. DO NOT REPORT ANY BUSINESS OR RENTAL PROPERTY EXPENSES.

Primary Reason for Completing this Section:	☐ Change in Income☐ Multiple Households☐ Debt	☐ Medical Expenses☐ Care of Elderly Parent☐ Property Damage
Does the family pay \square Rent or \square Mortgage	? Are payments current? Y	'es No
Do you share any living expenses with indivi If YES, what is the monthly contribution of th If YES, please indicate name and relationship	e other individual(s)? \$	•

Monthly Family Expenses	Average Amount Per Month in 2019	Average Amount Per Month in 2020
Home Mortgage/Rent (Do not include insurance, property tax or mortgage on rental properties)	\$	\$
Property Tax	\$	\$
Home Maintenance (gardener, house cleaner, pool, etc.)	\$	\$
Food and Household Supplies	\$	\$
Utilities (gas, electric, water, etc.)	\$	\$
Phone, Cable, Internet	\$	\$
Clothing	\$	\$
Child Care	\$	\$
Private, elementary/secondary school tuition	\$	\$
Insurance (home, car, health, life, etc.)	\$	\$
Medical expenses NOT covered by insurance	\$	\$
Transportation Expense (gas, maintenance, etc.)	\$	\$
Car Payments: 1) Make/Year:	\$ \$	\$ \$
Credit Card Payments	\$	\$
Personal Debt Payments Explain:	\$	\$
Other:	\$	\$
Total Monthly Expenses:	\$	\$



Section 4: Statement of One-time Gain

Use the box below to identify the type of one-time gain you received in 2018 and did not receive in 2019:

	Type of Gain		Amount	
	IRA Withdrawal		\$	
	One-time Capital Gain		\$	
	Inheritance/Life insurance		\$	
	Other (please explain):		\$	
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3. List the total value of all parent retirement assets: \$ _____



Section 7: Additional Information and Explanation

Use the following space to present any explanations, details, or any other factors that are relevant to your submission of this form and which should be considered as a part of your review. If you need additional space, attach a separate page.

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