



When the Department of Education processed your FAFSA, you selected that you were independent based on one of the following reasons listed below. To continue processing your file, you will need to submit documentation to confirm this status.

Please complete and return this form and any requested documentation to the Office of Financial Aid. Documents may be uploaded online by visiting our Financial Aid Forms webpage: http://www.ubalt.edu/admission/financial-aid/resources/forms.cfm or faxed to 410.837.5493, or dropped off in person at the Office of Financial Aid.

Please allow 3-5 business days for your MyUB Portal "To Do List" to be updated once submitted.

A. STUDENT INFORMATION

Form fields for Last Name, First Name, M.I., Student ID Number, Email Address, Telephone Number, and Date of Birth.

B. SELECT ONE OPTION

Option 1: I have children for whom I provide more than 50% of their support. Please submit all the following:

- Checkboxes for: A birth certificate for your child OR a letter from doctor confirming date of birth within the academic year; A 2024 or 2025 Tax Return Transcript showing child claimed as your dependent; Proof of health insurance for the child under your policy OR proof you are seeking prenatal care; Documentation of day care expenses that show you paid for childcare cost; A separation agreement or court order showing custody and child support arrangement for child.

Option 2: I have a legal dependent for whom I provide more than 50% of their support. Please submit:

- Checkboxes for: A 2024 Tax Return Transcript showing the dependent as claimed; Any legal guardianship, custody documentation, or other documentation that you have to support your legal claim for your dependent.

Option 3: I am an orphan, a ward of the court, or have foster care status. Please submit:

- Checkboxes for: Death Certificate of both parents (if only one parent is listed on the birth certificate, also submit the student's birth certificate); Documentation of adoption; Official court documentation that appoints your status as a "ward of the court" after age 12; A letter from the DHR of Maryland that documents that you were in foster care after age 12 (or documentation from the state in which you were in foster care).

Option 4: I am or was under Legal Guardianship. Please submit:

- A copy of the court's decision that you are or were in legal guardianship immediately prior to reaching the age of adulthood in your state of legal residence

Option 5: I am or was an Emancipated Minor. Please submit:

(Note: The State of Maryland does not recognize emancipated minors)

- A copy of the court's decision documenting that you are or were an emancipated minor in your state of legal residence

Option 6: I am/was at Risk of Homelessness or I am/was an Unaccompanied Youth as determined by a runaway or homeless youth center, transitional living program, or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Please submit:

- Documentation from the director or designee of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program that determines that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless. Must be provided on the organization's letterhead.
- Documentation from the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that determines that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless. Must be provided on the organization's letterhead.
- If the above is not available, the student can submit two signed and notarized statements from two reorganized third party sources who can confirm your unaccompanied youth status. (Recognized third party sources may include private or publicly funded homeless shelters and service providers, college access programs such as TRIO and GEAR UP, college or high school counselors, other mental health professionals, social workers, mentors, doctors, and clergy). All must be provided on the organization's letterhead.

Option 7: I am at Risk of Homelessness or I am an Unaccompanied Youth as determined by a School District Liaison (SDL). Please submit:

- A copy of your Unaccompanied Youth determination from your high school or school district homeless liaison

Option 8: Renewal Request.

- This is a renewal; I certify my circumstances have not changed, and a copy of the required documentation was provided in the previous award year.

Option 9: None of these options apply to me.

- Make corrections to your FAFSA at studentaid.gov, updating your dependency status and providing parental information, as requested

C. SIGN THIS WORKSHEET

By signing this worksheet, I (we) certify that all the information reported on this worksheet to qualify for federal student aid is complete and correct. If you are dependent for financial aid purposes, at least one parent must sign. **Warning: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined or sentenced to jail or both.**

Student's Signature

Date