



# INDIANA UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE

## OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

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### 2018-2019 Dependency Override

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#### General Information for Requesting a Dependency Status Override

A student who does not meet the federal criteria for independent status on the 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) may submit this form (with supporting documentation) for review and determination of existing unusual circumstances. The Higher Education Act allows a Financial Aid Administrator to make dependency overrides on a case-by-case basis for students with unusual circumstances.

**Please Note:** Parent(s) refusal/inability to contribute to your education, parents not claiming you on their tax return, and/or you supporting yourself are not considered extenuating circumstances. Approvable unusual circumstances would include but are not limited to death of parents, an abusive family environment or abandonment by parents.

**Submission:** You may e-mail or fax your application to our office as indicated below. You will receive an e-mail notification in your IUFW e-mail account of the decision within ten business days.

#### Applicant Information

Name:

University ID (10 digits):

#### Affirmation Statement

My signature below indicates the information on this form and the supporting documents are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature and Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To sign this form, print it then provide your signature and date.

#### What Documentation should I provide?

**Personal Statement by Student**

Attach a typed personal statement that summarizes the unusual circumstances with your name, university ID, date, and signature. Your statement should include the following information: (1) last date and nature of parent contact (2) location of your parents (3) how you are supporting yourself.

**Personal Statement by a Professional Third Party**

Attach a typed statement signed and dated from a third party (e.g. teacher, member of clergy, or social worker) summarizing your unusual circumstances and knowledge concerning your relationship with your parents.

**2016 Federal Tax Transcript if you did not transfer your IRS information using the FAFSA Data Retrieval Tool**

To request your tax transcript online, go to <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript>. To order by telephone, call 800-908-9946.

**Additional Supporting Documentation (Optional)**

Attach copies of any relevant supporting documentation (e.g. court documents, legal documents, or police report).

**2018-2019 FAFSA on the Web (<https://fafsa.gov>)**

If you have not yet submitted the 2018-2019 FAFSA, complete and submit it before March 10, 2018 (IUFW's priority receipt deadline) for maximum consideration for financial aid from all sources.