

Office of Financial Aid Documentation of U.S. Citizenship

Based on the information provided by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the Department of Homeland Security and/or the Social Security Administration did not have enough information to confirm your citizenship status. When this comment is present, students must provide documentation of citizenship or permanent residency status to the Office of Financial Aid in order to determine eligibility.

Below is a list of citizenship classifications along with the acceptable form documentation for each classification. Please review and determine which of these citizenship classification best describes your current status and submit one of the corresponding forms of documentation to the Office of Financial Aid. This is a federal requirement. Failure to provide this documentation will prevent any further processing of your financial aid application.

Citizenship Classification Acceptable Documentation of Status

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United States Citizen born in the U.S.	Birth Certificate (or) U.S. Passport (or)
United States Citizen not born in the U.S.	U.S. Passport (or) Certificate of Citizenship (or) Certificate of Naturalization (or)
U.S. Permanent Resident	I-151 Alien Registration Receipt Card (or) I-551 Permanent Resident Card (or) I-94 – Departure Record with one of the following endorsements: A, B, C, D, E, or F (see chart below)
Refugee status granted	I-94 form with endorsement C or D
Asylum status granted	I-94 form with endorsement E
Parolee	I-94 form with endorsement F

Endorsement Requirements

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"Processed for I-551. Temporary Evidence of Lawful Admission for Permanent Residence. Valid Until (date).
Employment Authorized."
"Temporary Form I-551. Admission for Permanent Resident at (port) on (date) verified. (Office of issuance) (date)
(signature of issuing officer) (title)
"Admitted as a Refugee Pursuant to Section 207 of the Act. If you depart the United States, you will need prior
permission to return. Employment Authorized."
"Status changed to refugee pursuant to Section 207(c)(2) of the Immigration Nationality Act, on (date). Employment
Authorized."
"Asylum status granted pursuant to Section 208, DHS Valid to (date). Employment Authorized."
"(Applicant) 'paroled' for an 'indefinite' period for 'humanitarian' reasons."

Forms I-668A, I-181, and I-181A are not acceptable forms as documentation of eligible non-citizen status.

NOTE: All non-citizens whose citizenship status is not automatically confirmed through the FAFSA database match between the U.S. Department of Education and the USCIS will be required to submit documentation of status to the Office of Financial Aid. Once documents are received and verified, a secondary confirmation (G-845 form) will be sent to the Dept. of Homeland Security to confirm eligibility. DOCUMENTATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID IN PERSON IN ORDER TO VERIFY AUTHENTICITY. FAXED COPIES ARE PERMITTED IN ORDER TO ALLOW PROCESSING TO PROCEED TEMPORARILY. HOWEVER, PER FEDERAL REGULATION, YOUR FINANCIAL AID CANNOT DISBURSE UNLESS YOUR DOCUMENTS ARE VERIFIED IN PERSON. Please contact your Financial Aid Advisor with any questions.

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