



This form is for independent students (who were **not** required to provide parent information on the FAFSA) who experienced a reduction in income and/or incurred unusual expenses in 2026.

Section A: Student Information

Section B: Explanation of Special Circumstances

- Loss or reduction of employment or income/wages (include the **date** in which the employment loss and/or other loss of income occurred).
- Loss of wage earner due to death, divorce, or separation.
- Termination or reduction of child support, alimony, assets, or Social Security Dependent Survivor Benefits.
- Incurred unusual expenses causing undue financial hardship.

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- A signed copy of the **2025** income tax return(s) and schedules for both you and your spouse (if married)
- **At least 2** of the most recent earnings statements and/or paystubs for both you and your spouse (if married)
- Documentation of other income received for both you and your spouse (if married)

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Section D: Projected Income for the Remainder of 2026

If you or your spouse had a reduction in income for 2026, complete the table below. Enter \$0 for any income not received in 2026.

Projected Taxable/Non-Taxable Income and Benefits for 2026 (from date of income loss – December 31, 2026)		
Projected Income for 2026	Student	Spouse (if married)
Income earned from work	\$	\$
Other taxable income (do not include unemployment income here)	\$	\$
Unemployment income	\$	\$
Untaxed portions of Individual Retirement Account (IRA) distributions (withdrawals)	\$	\$
IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, and qualified plans	\$	\$
Untaxed portions of pension and annuity distributions (withdrawals)	\$	\$
Child support received	\$	\$
Totals	\$	\$

Section E: Unusual Expenses

If you or your spouse had unusual expenses in 2026 causing undue financial hardship, check the appropriate box(es) and complete the applicable section(s) below. If this section does not apply, leave blank and proceed to Section F.

☐ **Costs Associated with Additional Family Member(s) in College for 2026 calendar year**

Of those included in your household/family size on the FAFSA, list the additional family member(s) enrolled in a program leading to a college degree or certificate at a post-secondary educational institution and complete the table below. Do not include yourself.

Additional Family Member's Name	Age	Relationship to Student	Name of College	Total Costs Paid by Student/Spouse
				\$
				\$
				\$

☐ **Unusual Medical & Dental Expenses**

Amount paid out of pocket for medical/dental insurance (not including employer's contribution) or medical/dental expenses not covered by insurance in 2026: \$

☐ **Elementary/Secondary School Tuition for 2026 calendar year** (does not include college expenses)

List the amount of tuition that you will pay for your dependent child(ren) to attend elementary/secondary school during the 2026 calendar year. Do not include amounts covered by scholarships, waivers, or reimbursed by another source.

Child's Name	Age	Name of School	Amount of Tuition in 2026
			\$
			\$
			\$

☐ **Unusual Debts/Expenses**

List the amount of other unusual debts/expenses you paid in 2026 (such as dependent care, care of a disabled or elderly family member, other debts for nondiscretionary expenses, etc.). Do not list consumer debt for discretionary expenses.

Type of Debt/Expense	Debt/Expense Paid By	Amount Paid in 2026
		\$
		\$
		\$

Section F: Signature(s)

By signing this worksheet, I/we certify that all information reported on this worksheet is complete and correct and I acknowledge that Special Circumstance Forms may take up to four weeks to process.

Student Signature _____ Date ____/____/____

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Approved? Yes No Comments: _____