

# File Your 2017-2018 FAFSA NOW

Office of Financial Aid  
American University

# Good News

Filing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has never been easier.

This presentation will provide a step by step tutorial on:

- Identifying which FAFSA to complete
- Using the Data Retrieval Tool
- Electronically Signing the FAFSA

# Filing the FAFSA

- Both Student and Parent (custodial) parent must obtain an FSA ID to sign the FAFSA electronically
  - If you already have one great! You can use your current one.
- If you need a FSA ID go to [fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov)
- You will need a Social Security Number to obtain and FSA ID otherwise you will be required to print sign and mail the student and parent(s) signatures.

# OBTAINING AN FSA ID

The FSA ID process consists of the following steps:

1. Enter your log-in information.
2. Provide your e-mail address, a unique username, and password, and verify that you are at least 13 years old.
3. Enter your personal information to include:
  - Provide your Social Security number, name, and date of birth.
  - Include your mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number, and language preference.
  - For security purposes, provide answers to five challenge questions.
4. Submit your FSA ID information.
5. Agree to the terms and conditions.
6. Verify your e-mail address
  - By verifying your e-mail address, you can use your e-mail address as your username when logging into certain ED websites. This verification also allows you to retrieve your username or reset your password without answering challenge questions.)

# Which One?

There are two FAFSA options listed

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## Get Started

**Welcome, Shirleyne McDonald!**

**Fill out your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)!**  
To receive federal student financial aid, you need to fill out a FAFSA every school year. Let's get started.

**For which school year are you applying for financial aid?**

2017-2018 school year **START 2017-2018 FAFSA**

2016-2017 school year **START 2016-2017 FAFSA**

If you are applying for a summer session, or just don't know which application to complete, check with the college you are planning to attend.

**FSA ID** Last Time, Date FSA ID Used: 2:16, 10/04/2016

**FSA ID Status:**  
[User Account Management](#)  
You can use your FSA ID to sign your FAFSA electronically or make corrections to your FAFSA.

**NEED HELP?**

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### Start Your 2017-2018 FAFSA

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**Create a Save Key.**  
The Save Key is for temporary use for you or your parent to return and complete this specific FAFSA.

Create a Save Key

Re-enter Save Key

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NEED HELP? MY FAFSA

**STUDENT**

#### Help and Hints

##### Create a Save Key

You must create a save key. The save key allows you to return to an application or correction later if you need to stop and save your work. It also allows you to share access to your application or correction if your parent needs to add information or sign.

The save key must be between 4 and 8 characters long. You can use any combination of numbers and / or uppercase and lowercase letters. For example, the save key "Student2" is different than the save key "sTuDeNt2."

Try to choose a save key that you can remember but that would be hard for others to guess.

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# Student Demographic Data

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## Student Demographic Information

Your last name  Your first name  Your middle initial

Your Social Security Number

Your date of birth (mmddyyyy)

Are you male or female?  
 Male  Female

Your permanent mailing address (include apt. number)

Your city (and country if not U.S.)  Your state

Your ZIP code

Have you lived in your state for at least 5 years?  
 Yes  No

Your telephone number

Your e-mail address

What is your marital status as of today?

Do you have driver's license information that you want to provide?  
 Yes  No

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## Help and Hints

Student's Permanent ZIP Code  
Question 7

You must enter the ZIP code for your permanent mailing address.

For Mexico, Canadian Provinces, or another address outside the United States, enter 00000 for the ZIP code.

# Student Financial Data

Did the student file 2015 taxes?

Required to file if:

- Earned \$6300 or more during 2015?
- Had unearned income of \$1050 or more?

If yes, complete the Data Retrieval Tool

# Data Retrieval Tool

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## Student Tax Information

**Attention!** You must provide financial information from your **2015 tax return** on the following pages.

Application was successfully saved.

For 2015, have you completed your IRS income tax return or another tax return?

Already completed ▼

For 2015, what is your tax filing status according to your tax return?

Married-Filed Joint Return ▼

To determine if you can use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) to transfer your tax return information from the IRS into your FAFSA, answer the following question(s):

Did you file a [Form 1040X amended tax return](#) for 2015?

Yes  No

Did you file a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return for 2015?

Yes  No

Applying is faster and easier if you transfer your tax return information into this FAFSA with the IRS DRT!

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## Help and Hints

**Did you file a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return?**

If you filed a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return, select **Yes**; otherwise, select **No**.

You are not eligible to use the [IRS Data Retrieval Tool](#) if you filed a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return.

**Related Topics:**

[Why can't I use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool if I filed a tax return outside the U.S.?](#)

# Link to IRS Data

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**Leaving FAFSA on the Web**  
You are now leaving *FAFSA on the Web* and will be transferred to the IRS Web site to access your IRS tax information. Your FAFSA information will be saved.

Your saved FAFSA will automatically open either when you transfer your information from the IRS or choose to return to *FAFSA on the Web* from the IRS Web site. If you do not transfer your information or choose not to return to *FAFSA on the Web* from the IRS Web site, you will have to log in to open your saved FAFSA.

Click **Proceed to IRS Site** to continue. Otherwise, click **Skip IRS Transfer**.

If you have any questions or problems using this tool, view available [Help](#) options for assistance.

[SKIP IRS TRANSFER](#) [PROCEED TO IRS SITE](#) ←

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# Review



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## Get My Federal Income Tax Information

See our [Privacy Notice](#) regarding our request for your personal information.

Enter the following information from your 2015 Federal Income Tax Return. [?](#)

Required fields \*

First Name *	<input type="text"/>
Last Name *	<input type="text"/>
Social Security Number *	*** - ** - <input type="text"/>
Date of Birth *	<input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/>
Filing Status * <a href="#">?</a>	Single <input type="text"/>
Address - Must match your 2015 Federal Income Tax Return. <a href="#">?</a>	
Street Address *	<input type="text"/>
P.O. Box (Required if entered on your tax return) <a href="#">?</a>	<input type="text"/>
Apt. Number (Required if entered on your tax return)	<input type="text"/>
Country *	United States <input type="text"/>
City, Town or Post Office *	<input type="text"/>
State/U.S. Territory *	Select One <input type="text"/>
ZIP Code *	<input type="text"/>

Select the button below to exit the IRS system and return to your FAFSA.

By submitting this information, you certify that you are the person identified. Use of this system to access another person's information may result in civil and criminal penalties.

[Return to FAFSA](#)

[Submit](#)

# Transfer IRS Data to FAFSA

## Student 2015 Federal Income Tax Information

The information below is your tax information that will help you answer some of the questions on the FAFSA.

	My Tax Information	FAFSA Question Numbers ?
Tax Year	2015	
Name(s)	██████████	
Social Security Number	*** - ** - ███	
Filing Status	Single	Question 34 on the FAFSA
Type of Tax Return Filed	1040A	Question 33 on the FAFSA
Adjusted Gross Income	██████████	Question 36 on the FAFSA
Income Earned From Work ?	██████████	Question 39 on the FAFSA
Income Tax	██████████	Question 37 on the FAFSA
IRS Exemptions	██	Question 38 on the FAFSA
Education Credits	██	Question 44a on the FAFSA
IRA Deductions and Payments	██	Question 45b on the FAFSA
Tax-Exempt Interest Income	██	Question 45d on the FAFSA
Untaxed IRA Distributions ?	██	Question 45e on the FAFSA
Untaxed Pensions ?	██	Question 45f on the FAFSA

 Print this page for your records before choosing an option below.

### Transfer My Tax Information into the FAFSA ?

- The tax information provided above will populate the answers to the appropriate FAFSA questions. After the FAFSA is populated your IRS session will end and you will return to your FAFSA. Check this box if you are choosing to transfer your information.

Transfer Now ?

### Do Not Transfer My Tax Information and Return to the FAFSA ?

- By clicking the "Do Not Transfer" button, you are choosing not to transfer your tax information electronically. Your IRS session will end and you will return to your FAFSA. You may still use this tax information to input the data into your FAFSA.

Do Not Transfer ?

# Transfer Confirmation

	Student Demographics	School Selection	Dependency Status	Parent Demographics	Financial Information	Sign & Submit	Confirmation
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### Student Financial Information

You have successfully transferred your 2015 IRS tax information.

Your IRS tax information has been successfully transferred into this FAFSA. Questions that were populated with tax information will be marked with "Transferred from the IRS."

What income tax return did you file for 2015?

Transferred from the IRS

IRS 1040A or 1040EZ

What was your adjusted gross income for 2015? This amount is found on IRS Form 1040A-line 21 or 1040EZ-line 4.

\$ [ ] [ ] 00 Transferred from the IRS

Your income earned from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2015 was transferred from the IRS. This amount is found on IRS Form 1040A-line 7 or 1040EZ-line 1.

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As of today, are you a dislocated worker?

Select

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### Help and Hints

Student's Type of 2015 Tax Form Used

Question 33

If you use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool and transfer your information from the IRS into your FAFSA, the answer to this question will be pre-filled and identified as "Transferred from the IRS."

If the answer to this question is not pre-filled, you must select the income tax return that you filed or will file for 2015:

- IRS 1040
- IRS 1040A or 1040EZ
- A foreign tax return
- A tax return for a U.S. territory or a Freely Associated State (including Puerto Rico)

# Not Eligible for the Data Retrieval Tool

In some instances students and parents may not be eligible to use the DRT. The most common reasons are:

- Married parents filed tax returns separately
- Tax filers amended the 2015 Tax Return
- Filed a Puerto Rican or a Foreign Tax Return

# What You Will Need

If you are ineligible to use the Data Retrieval Tool you will be required to manually input the financial data for student and parent(s).

The student and parent(s) will need:

- Financial statements of earnings during the 2015 calendar year
  - W2, Pay Stubs, Employer Compensation statement
  - Bank documents indicating any income interest, assets, dividends
  - Information on properties (not primary residence), investments etc.

# Helpful Tools and Tips

If you are ineligible to use the Data Retrieval Tool you will be required to manually input the financial data for student and parent(s).

Text in the boxes on the right side of the screen:

- Provides information on where the financial data may be located on your financial forms
- Defines unfamiliar terms
- Direct you to additional resources to assist you in completing the FAFSA

# Inputting Parent Financial Data on the FAFSA

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Student Demographics	School Selection	Dependency Status	Parent Demographics	Financial Information	Sign & Submit	Confirmation
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### Parent Financial Information

What type of income tax return did your parents file for 2015?

What was your parents' adjusted gross income for 2015?  
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How much did your Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent) earn from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2015?  
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How much did your Parent 2 (father/mother/stepparent) earn from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2015?  
\$ .00

As of today, is either of your parents a dislocated worker?

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### Help and Hints

#### Parents' Type of 2015 Tax Form Used

##### Question 81

If your parent uses the IRS Data Retrieval Tool and transfers his / her information from the IRS into your FAFSA, the answer to this question will be pre-filled and identified as "Transferred from the IRS."

If the answer to this question is not pre-filled, you must select the income tax return that your parents filed or will file for 2015:

- IRS 1040
- IRS 1040A or 1040EZ
- A foreign tax return
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# Inputting Parent Financial Data on the FAFSA

**PARENT**

Student Demographics	School Selection	Dependency Status	Parent Demographics	Financial Information	Sign & Submit	Confirmation
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### Parent Financial Information continued

Enter the amount of your parents' income tax for 2015. This amount is found on IRS Form 1040-lines (56 minus 46).  
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Enter your parents' exemptions for 2015. This amount is found on IRS Form 1040-line 6d.

Did your parents have any of the following items in 2015? Check all that apply and provide amounts.

**2015 Additional Financial Information**

- American Opportunity Tax Credit or Lifetime Learning Tax Credit
- Child support paid
- Taxable earnings from Work-study, Assistantships or Fellowships
- College grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS
- Combat pay or special combat pay
- Cooperative education program earnings

**2015 Untaxed Income**

- Payments to tax-deferred pension and retirement savings plans
- IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE and Keogh
- Child support received
- Tax exempt interest income
- Untaxed portions of IRA distributions
- Untaxed portions of pensions
- Housing, food, and other living allowances paid to military, clergy, and others
- Veterans noneducation benefits
- Other untaxed income not reported such as workers' compensation or disability benefits

As of today, does the total amount of your parents' current [assets](#) exceed \$26,200.00?  
 Yes  No

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#### Help and Hints

##### Parents' 2015 U.S. Income Tax Paid Question 86

If your parent uses the IRS Data Retrieval Tool and transfers his / her information from the IRS into your FAFSA, the answer to this question will be pre-filled and identified as "Transferred from the IRS."

If the answer to this question is not pre-filled, enter your [parents'](#) total tax amount for 2015.

Click the "More" link for additional instructions on how to answer if your parents filed separate tax returns or one parent did or will file and the other will not file.

# Inputting Student Financial Data on the FAFSA

The screenshot shows the FAFSA application interface. At the top, a navigation bar includes tabs for Student Demographics, School Selection, Dependency Status, Parent Demographics, Financial Information (which is the active tab), Sign & Submit, and Confirmation. On the left side, a vertical blue bar contains the word "STUDENT" in white capital letters. The main content area is titled "Student Tax Information" and contains the question: "For 2015, have you completed your IRS income tax return or another tax return?" Below the question is a dropdown menu with "Select" as the current selection. Navigation buttons for "PREVIOUS" and "NEXT" are positioned below the dropdown. At the bottom of the form area, there are buttons for "NEED HELP?", "SAVE", "CLEAR ALL DATA", "VIEW FAFSA SUMMARY", and "EXIT". To the right of the form is a "Help and Hints" sidebar. The sidebar title is "Help and Hints" and the content is titled "Student Filed 2015 Income Tax Return? Question 32". The text in the sidebar reads: "You must select the answer that describes your tax filing status:" followed by a bulleted list: "• Already completed", "• Will file", and "• Not going to file". Below the list, the sidebar text continues: "If you indicate you 'Will file' a 2015 tax return and your 2015 income is similar to your 2014 income, use your 2014 income tax return to provide estimates for questions about your income. If your income is not similar, click **Income Estimator** for assistance estimating your adjusted gross income, and answer the remaining questions about your income to the". At the bottom left of the page, it says "Site Last Updated: Sunday, September 25, 2016". At the bottom right, there is a link to "Download Adobe Reader".

Even if the student did not file (s)he, will be asked answer additional financial questions

# Inputting Student Financial Data on the FAFSA

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Student Demographics School Selection Dependency Status Parent Demographics **Financial Information** Sign & Submit Confirmation

### Student Financial Information

What income tax return did you file for 2015?

What was your adjusted gross income for 2015?  
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How much did you earn from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2015?  
\$ .00

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### Help and Hints

Student's Type of 2015 Tax Form Used  
Question 33

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# Inputting Student Financial Data on the FAFSA

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## Student Financial Information continued

Enter the amount of your income tax for 2015. This amount is found on IRS Form 1040-lines (56 minus 48).

\$  .00

Enter your exemptions for 2015. This amount is found on IRS Form 1040-line 6d.

Did you have any of the following items in 2015? Check all that apply and provide amounts.

### 2015 Additional Financial Information

- American Opportunity Tax Credit or Lifetime Learning Tax Credit
- Child support paid
- Taxable earnings from Work-study, Assistantships or Fellowships
- College grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS
- Combat pay or special combat pay
- Cooperative education program earnings

### 2015 Untaxed Income

- Payments to tax-deferred pension and retirement savings plans
- IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE and Keogh
- Child support received
- Tax exempt interest income
- Untaxed portions of IRA distributions
- Untaxed portions of pensions
- Housing, food, and other living allowances paid to military, clergy, and others
- Veterans noneducation benefits
- Other untaxed income not reported such as workers' compensation or disability benefits
- Money received or paid on your behalf

As of today, what is your total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts?

\$  .00

As of today, what is the net worth of your investments, including real estate (not your home)?

\$  .00

As of today, what is the net worth of your current businesses and/or investment farms? **Don't include** a family farm or family business with 100 or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees.

\$  .00

## Help and Hints

### Student's 2015 U. S. Income Tax Paid Question 37

If you use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool and transfer your information from the IRS into your FAFSA, the answer to this question will be pre-filled and identified as "Transferred from the IRS."

If the answer to this question is not pre-filled, enter your total tax amount for 2015.

This information may be on the following forms:

IRS Form 1040 – Subtract line 48 from line 56 and enter the total

IRS Form 1040A – Subtract line 38 from line

# Signing the FAFSA with FSA ID

**Sign & Submit**

Application was successfully saved.

[VIEW OR PRINT YOUR FAFSA INFORMATION](#)

Are you a [preparer](#)?  
 Yes  No

**Student Signature**

Student's Social Security Number

Student's last name

Student's date of birth

**READ BEFORE PROCEEDING**

By signing this application electronically using your Federal Student Aid PIN, username and password, and/or any other credential or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, YOU, THE STUDENT, certify that you:

- will use federal and/or state student financial aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education,
- are not in default on a federal student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it,
- do not owe money back on a federal student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it,
- will notify your school if you default on a federal student loan, and
- will not receive a Federal Pell Grant from more than one school for the same

I, the student, agree to the terms outlined above.  
 Agree  Disagree

What is your (the student's) FSA ID?  
Do not enter the FSA ID if you are not the student.

FSA ID Username or Verified E-mail Address

FSA ID Password

[Other options to sign and submit](#)

Don't have an FSA ID? [Create an FSA ID](#). It takes only a few minutes.

**Help and Hints**

**Are you a preparer?**

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Typically high school counselors, school financial aid administrators, or other mentors do not charge a fee to help you complete your application, so they are not considered preparers unless you paid them for their services.

If you are a preparer, select **Yes**.

**Parent Signature**

Information about Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent):

Parent 1 (father's/mother's/stepparent's) Social Security Number

Parent 1 (father's/mother's/stepparent's) last name

Parent 1 (father's/mother's/stepparent's) date of birth

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By signing this application electronically using your Federal Student Aid PIN, username and password, and/or any other credential or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, YOU, THE PARENT, certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked:

- to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form
- to provide U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand that the Secretary of Education has the authority to verify information reported on your application with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies.

I, the parent, agree to the terms outlined above.  
 Agree  Disagree

What is your (the parent's) FSA ID?  
Do not enter the FSA ID if you are not the parent.

FSA ID Username or Verified E-mail Address  [Create an FSA ID](#)

FSA ID Password  [Forgot Username](#)  
[Forgot Password](#)

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If you are a preparer, select **Yes**.

# Signing the FAFSA without an FSA ID

**Sign & Submit**

Application was successfully saved.

[VIEW OR PRINT YOUR FAFSA INFORMATION](#)

Are you a preparer?  
 Yes  No

**Student Signature**

Student's Social Security Number

Student's last name

Student's date of birth

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 Agree  Disagree

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Parent 1 (father's/mother's/stepparent's) last name

Parent 1 (father's/mother's/stepparent's) date of birth

**READ BEFORE PROCEEDING**

By signing this application electronically using your Federal Student Aid PIN, username and password, and/or any other credential or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, YOU, THE PARENT, certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked:

- to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form
- to provide U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand that the Secretary of Education has the authority to verify information reported on your application with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies.

I, the parent, agree to the terms outlined above.  
 Agree  Disagree

What is your (the parent's) FSA ID?  
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FSA ID Password

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If you are a preparer, select **Yes**.

Select the "other options to sign and submit" link to print, sign and mail signatures

# Questions

We are here to help!

Contact us at:

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