

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA  
STUDENT FINANCIAL CENTER  
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2025-26

VERIFICATION OF IDENTITY AND  
STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

Your application was selected by the federal government for review in a process called "Verification." By law, we must ask you for this information before processing federal aid. If you have questions about completing this worksheet, you may contact The Student Financial Center at (405) 325-9000.

A. Student Information

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Last name	First name	M.I.	OU ID Number
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Address (include apt. no.)

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City	State	Zip Code
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B. Documentation of Identity/Statement of Educational Purpose

Please review the following instructions carefully and complete one of the options to verify your identity and confirm your statement of educational purpose.

**Option 1.** The student must appear in person at The University of Oklahoma to verify their identity by presenting an unexpired, valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID. **Be advised that an ID issued by a state university or college is not sufficient for this purpose. Nor a military ID since 18 U.S. Code § 701 prohibits it from being photocopied.**

**Option 2.** If the student is unable to appear in person at The University of Oklahoma to verify their identity, the student can appear in person to have their identity documented by a notary public. The student must provide the following to the institution:

- The original copy of this form signed and stamped by the notary public. (see page 2)
- A copy of the unexpired, valid government-issued ID that was presented to the notary and is listed in their statement below. Acceptable forms of ID include but are not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. **Be advised that an ID issued by a state university or college is not sufficient for this purpose. Nor a military ID since 18 U.S. Code § 701 prohibits it from being photocopied.**

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**DO NOT complete this form in advance of visiting a notary public or The University of Oklahoma for identity verification.**

**Statement of Educational Purpose**

I certify that I \_\_\_\_\_ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending The University of Oklahoma for 2025-26  
 (Print Student's Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Signature and Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Financial Aid Staff Signature and Date (if visiting SFC in person)

**\*A copy of the ID used to confirm identity must be attached to this document.**

**If the student is unable to visit the Student Financial Center in person, a Notary must confirm the student's identity, witness the student signature's to Statement of Educational Purpose above, and sign with their seal below.**

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**Notary's Certificate of Knowledge**

State of \_\_\_\_\_ City/County of \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, before me,  
 (date)

\_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared, \_\_\_\_\_ and proved  
 (Notary's Name) (printed name of signer)

to me because of satisfactory evidence of identification \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Type of government-issued photo ID provided)

to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

**WITNESS my hand and official seal** \_\_\_\_\_ (Notary Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date commission expires)

(seal)

**Submission Instructions:**

**If notarized, the original copy of this completed form and a copy of the ID used to verify identity must be sent by US mail to: The Student Financial Center , 1000 Asp Avenue, Room 105, Norman, OK 73019-4078**

**Electronic copies and/or emailed photographs of this document will not be accepted.**