

2020 - 2021 Ability to Benefit Form

The U.S. Department of Education requires you to demonstrate your academic ability to benefit for federal student aid programs. You can demonstrate your ability to benefit for federal student aid programs by documenting your high school completion status.

A. Student Information

Last Name _____ First Name _____

NSHE ID _____

B. High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents to indicate the student's high school completion status when the student begins college in 2020–2021. Attach document and check appropriate box:

- ☐ A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- ☐ For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of the "secondary school leaving certificate" or other similar document.
- ☐ A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- ☐ A state certificate or transcript received by a student after the student passed a State-authorized examination that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examination).
- ☐ An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree.
- ☐ For a student who was homeschooled in a state where state law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- ☐ For a student who was homeschooled in a state where state law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a transcript, or the equivalent, signed by the student's parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

A student who is unable to obtain the documentation listed above must contact the financial aid office.

****If you have submitted the documentation listed above to the Admissions Office, please check this box:** ☐

C. Signature

By signing this worksheet, I certify that all information reported on this worksheet is complete and correct under penalty of perjury. **If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.**