



## 2017–2018 Verification Worksheets

### Verification of 2015 Income Information for Parent Tax Filers

**Important Note:** The instructions below apply to each parent included in the household. Notify the financial aid office if the parents filed separate IRS income tax returns for 2015 or had a change in marital status after December 31, 2015.

**Instructions:** Complete this section if the parents filed or will file a 2015 IRS income tax return(s). *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at [FAFSA.gov](http://FAFSA.gov).* In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2015 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed by the FAFSA filer.

#### Check the box that applies:

- The parents have used the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2015 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.
- The parents have not yet used the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, but will use the tool to transfer 2015 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.
- The parents are unable or choose not to use the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, and instead will provide the school with a **2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)**.

A **2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be obtained through:

- Get Transcript by MAIL – Go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), under the Tools heading, click "Get a tax transcript." Click "Get Transcript by MAIL." Make sure to request the "IRS Tax Return Transcript" and **NOT** the "IRS Tax Account Transcript."
- Get Transcript ONLINE – Go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), under the Tools heading, click "Get a tax transcript." Click "Get Transcript ONLINE." Make sure to request the "IRS Tax Return Transcript" and **NOT** the "IRS Tax Account Transcript."
- Automated Telephone Request – 1-800-908-9946
- Paper Request Form – IRS Form 4506T-EZ or IRS Form 4506-T

In most cases, for electronic tax return filers, 2015 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS DRT or the IRS Tax Return Transcript within 2–3 weeks after the 2015 electronic IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2015 paper IRS income tax returns, the 2015 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS DRT or the IRS Tax Return Transcript within 6–8 weeks after the 2015 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS. Contact the financial aid office if more information is needed about using the IRS DRT or obtaining an IRS Tax Return Transcript.

If the parents filed separate 2015 IRS income tax returns, the IRS DRT cannot be used and the **2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** must be provided for each.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Check here if a **2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** is provided.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check here if a **2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** will be provided later.