University at Buffalo Financial Aid

2017-2018 High School Completion Verification

Student Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle I: _____ Person Number: _____

Your 2017-2018 FAFSA was selected for verification review. The University at Buffalo Financial Aid Office is required to document proof of your high school completion. Select the option that applies to you and provide **one** of the requested documents to confirm your high school completion status as of the start of the 2017-2018 academic year.

☐ **1. U.S. High School Graduate**

a. A copy of your high school diploma; or
b. A copy of your final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded; or
c. A certificate or other official documentation demonstrating that the student has passed a state-authorized examination (e.g. TASC (Test Assessing Secondary Completion. Formerly GED), HiSET (High School Equivalency Test); or
d. A copy of your state certificate or transcript showing you passed a State-authorized examination that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma. The four Ability-to-Benefit (ATB) tests that have been approved by the Regents for students without U.S. high school diplomas or the recognized equivalent include:

- Accuplacer
- ASSET
- COMPASS (including COMPASS/ESL*)
- Combined English Language Skills Assessment (CELSA)*

Note: An institution using the COMPASS/ESL or CELSA tests must also use the quantitative section of the Accuplacer, ASSET or COMPASS tests.

☐ **2. Foreign 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. An academic transcript that indicates you successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.

☐ **3. Homeschooled-Secondary School Completion Credential Required:** students from a state where state law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.

☐ **4. Homeschooled-No Secondary School Completion Credential Required:** students from a state where state law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (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 that student completed and includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

☐ **5. Former Military:** if you are unable to obtain documentation of your high school diploma or recognized equivalent of a secondary school education in a homeschool setting, submit a copy of your DD214-Certification of Release or Discharge from Active Duty providing the DD214 indicates the individual is a high school graduate or equivalent.

Certification and Signature

I certify that all information provided in this document is true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that any false statement or misrepresentation will be cause for denial, reduction, withdrawal, and/or repayment of financial aid. Also, purposely giving false or misleading information on this worksheet may lead to fines, jail sentences, or both. I authorize the University at Buffalo to make any change(s) necessary as a result of the updated information that I have provided.

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Student Signature Date Parent Signature (required for dependent) Date

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