PETITION TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID WITHOUT PARENT INFORMATION

Student Name: _____________________________________________________________
(last) (first) (middle initial)

Last Four Digits of Student SSN: XXX – XX _______ UW Student ID #: _______________

If you are a dependent student according to the financial aid definition (see next page for definitions), your aid eligibility is determined by using parent income and asset information in addition to your information. Dependent students are required to provide parental information and signatures to be considered for financial aid. We cannot approve a petition based solely on a parent's unwillingness or inability to support a student's college education or their unwillingness to provide the required information. However, if you cannot provide parent information due to unusual family circumstances, you may petition to apply for aid without parental information. For this purpose, an unusual circumstance includes, but is not limited to, a permanent, irreconcilable break in the relationship with the parent(s) due to abuse, abandonment, or extreme mistreatment.

You may utilize the space provided on the back of this form and/or attach additional pages. In your petition, you must address each of the following items:

1. Explain why you cannot obtain parent information.
2. List the location of both your parents, the last time you received financial support and the last time you had contact with each of them: when, where, and the nature of the contact.
3. Attach at least two pieces of documentation or statements from responsible adults who are aware of your situation and can corroborate the facts you present. Examples of such persons would include clergy, social workers or other social service personnel, court officials (or copies of court documents), teachers or high school counselors and police officers. Their statements must be signed and their contact information must be listed should we need to contact them.

I certify the information provided on this form and its attachments are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature: ________________________________ Date: ________________

Please see your campus financial aid website for contact information:
Bothell: uwb.edu/financialaid | Seattle: finaid.uw.edu | Tacoma: tacoma.uw.edu/finaid
WHAT IS A DEPENDENT STUDENT?

For financial aid eligibility you are considered dependent unless you meet one of the following conditions:

A. You are over 24 years of age. (By December 31 of the award year.)
B. As of your financial aid application filing date, you are married.
C. You are or will be a graduate or professional student during your term of enrollment.
D. You are active duty military for purposes other than training.
E. You are a Veteran.
F. You have children or a legal dependent who will continue to be supported by you during your term of enrollment.
G. When you were 13 or older, both of your parents were deceased, you were in foster care, or you were a ward of the court.
H. You are currently an emancipated minor or in a legal guardianship as determined by the court.
I. You are considered an unaccompanied youth who is homeless by one of the following; your high school or school district homeless liaison, the director of an emergency shelter program funded by HUD, the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program.

If you do not meet any of the conditions listed above, you are considered a dependent student for financial aid purposes. If you would like to complete a petition, please use the space below or attach your statement.

EXPLANATION OF CIRCUMSTANCES (please write clearly and attach additional sheets if necessary):

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