



# INDIANA UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE

## OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

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### 2024-2025 Dependency Override

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#### Instructions:

A student who does not meet the federal criteria for independent status on the 2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) may submit this form (with supporting documentation) for review and determination of existing unusual circumstances. The Higher Education Act allows a Financial Aid Administrator to make dependency overrides on a case-by-case basis for students with unusual circumstances.

**Please Note: Parent(s) refusal/inability to contribute to your education, parents not claiming you on their tax return, and/or you supporting yourself are not considered extenuating circumstances. Approvable unusual circumstances would include but are not limited to death of parents, an abusive family environment or abandonment by parents.**

**Submission:** Completed forms can be uploaded to [www.go.iu.edu/fasecure](http://www.go.iu.edu/fasecure). You will receive an e-mail notification in your university email account of the decision within ten business days.

#### What documentation do I need?

- Personal Statement by Student** See next page.
- Personal Statement by a Professional Third Party** Attach a typed statement signed and dated from a third party (e.g. teacher, member of clergy, or social worker) summarizing your unusual circumstances and knowledge concerning your relationship with your parents.
- Additional Supporting Documentation (Optional)** Attach copies of any relevant supporting documentation (e.g. court documents, legal documents, or police report).
- 2024-2025 FAFSA on the Web** (<https://fafsa.gov>) If you have not yet submitted the 2024-2025 FAFSA, complete and submit it before April 15, 2024 (university priority receipt deadline) for maximum consideration for financial aid from all sources.



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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

University ID# \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Statement by Student** In the space below, type a personal statement that summarizes the unusual circumstances. Your statement should include the following information: (1) last date and nature of parent contact (2) location of your parents (3) how you are supporting yourself.

Signature and Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To sign this form, print it then provide your signature and date.