

## 2009-2010 Documentation of Independent Student

STUDENT'S NAME (please print: last, first, mi)

TU ID

An independent student is one who meets at least one of the criteria shown below. Please check the appropriate box, attach the required documentation, and return this form to the Financial Aid Office. ***Forms received without required documentation will not be processed.***

Criteria	Required Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/> Student is married as of the date of the application	Marriage Certificate
<input type="checkbox"/> Student is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, or is a National Guard or Reserves enlistee called into federal active duty for other than training purposes.	Copy of active duty orders
<input type="checkbox"/> Student is a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces.	DD214 showing release from active duty under conditions other than dishonorable
<input type="checkbox"/> Student has children who will receive more than half of their support from him or her between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010.	Copy of child's birth certificate or registration and copy of your 2008 Federal Income Tax listing child as a dependent if child was born before 2008.
<input type="checkbox"/> Student has dependents (other than children or spouse) who live with the student and who receive more than half of their support from the student, now and through June 30, 2010.	Documentation of dependent person's address: driver's license, school ID, medical records, or court records.
<input type="checkbox"/> At any time when the student was age 13 or older, both of the student's parents were deceased, the student was in foster care, or the student was a dependent/ward of the court.	Death Certificate of both parents, or court documents.
<input type="checkbox"/> Student was or is an emancipated minor as determined by a court or student was or is in legal guardianship as determined by a court in his or her state of legal residence.	Court Documents
<input type="checkbox"/> Student is a homeless or unaccompanied youth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ on or after July 1, 2008, a high school or school district homeless liaison determined that the student was an unaccompanied homeless youth, <i>or</i></li> <li>◆ on or after July 1, 2008, an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determined that the student is an unaccompanied homeless youth, <i>or</i></li> <li>◆ on or after July 1, 2008, a director of a runaway or homeless youth center or transitional living program determined that the student is an unaccompanied homeless youth or is self-supporting and at risk of being homeless</li> </ul>	Completed Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Form available at <a href="http://towson.edu/finaid">http://towson.edu/finaid</a> under "Forms and Publications"

USE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS TO RETURN THIS FORM

MAIL	FAX	IN-PERSON
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