

# 2016-2017 Determining Your IRS Filing Status

Student Name

LMU ID

**Instructions:** Please answer all questions below which will be used to determine your filing status according to IRS requirements. Your filing status is used to determine your filing requirements, standard deduction, eligibility for certain credits, and your correct tax.

**Check one:**  Completed by Parent of the student listed above  Completed by the Student (Independent)

**Information You Will Need:**

1. Citizenship status, marital status, spouse's year of death (if applicable)
2. The percentage of the costs that your household members paid towards keeping up a home

## Section I

The following set of questions will help us determine your filing status.

1. What tax year are you asking about?  2015  2014
2. Were you a U.S. citizen and/or a resident alien for all of 2015?  Yes  No
3. What was your marital status on the last day of 2015?
4. Was your spouse a nonresident alien at any time during 2015?  Yes  No  N/A
5. Do you and your spouse intend to file a joint tax return for 2015?  Yes  No  N/A
6. Did you provide more than half of your own support for 2015?  Yes  No
7. Did you pay more than half the cost of keeping up a home for 2015?  Yes  No

## Section II

Please provide first names (or other identifiers) for everyone:

1. Who lived with you during 2015, or
2. Who is your child, or
3. For whom you provided any financial support during 2015.
4. Use another sheet of paper should you need additional space.

Name	Relationship to you	Date of birth	Did this person provide more than half half of his or her own support for 2015?	Marital Status

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Name	Was this person single as of the last day of 2015?	Can someone else claim this person as a dependent?	Is this person's other legal parent (as determined by state law) still alive?	In what state was this person's primary residence located in 2015?
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## Section III

8. Did any of the people listed above live with you for more than half of 2015 (including any temporary absences)?

**Note:** A person is considered to have lived with you during periods of time when one or both of you are temporarily absent due to special circumstances such as:

(1) Illness, (2) Education, (3) Business, (4) Vacation, or (5) Military service.

**Note:** It must be reasonable to assume that the absent person will return to the home after the temporary absence.

9. Were you ever married to any of the above person's other parent?

10. Were you legally separated from any of the above person's other parent under a decree of divorce or separate maintenance?

11. Were you separated from any of the above person's other parent under a written separation agreement?

12. As of July 2, 2015, had any person listed above been granted majority status by means other than age?

**Note:** Factors other than age can influence majority status. For example, if a minor is declared emancipated by a judge, they usually receive majority status at the same time. Majority status may also be granted to minors who marry or who join the armed forces.

13. During 2015, did any person listed above spend more nights in your home than he or she did with his or her other parent?

## Section IV

### Certification and Signatures:

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information required is complete and correct. The student and one parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must sign and date.

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date

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