



**INSTITUTIONAL METHODOLOGY TO CALCULATE FINANCIAL NEED FOR NON-FAFSA ELIGIBLE STUDENTS**

Funds from the Financial Aid Office are generally distributed based on financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) filed by or on behalf of the students. Since the FAFSA can only be filed by citizens or eligible non-citizens, the information on this form represents the institutional practice for identifying financial need for international students and non- FAFSA eligible students. All completed forms must be submitted on or before March 1 annually in order to qualify for need-based institutional funds.

1. Email this form and screen shots of the completed “Estimated Cost of Attendance” and “Estimated Family Contribution” from the links below to [finaid@unr.edu](mailto:finaid@unr.edu) between January 1 and March 1 annually.
2. Title BOTH this form and the email subject line to read your: FirstName\_LastName\_EFC.doc

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

NSHE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Academic Program: \_\_\_\_\_

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| A. To determine your <b>Estimated Cost of Attendance</b> go to the link below:<br><a href="http://www.unr.edu/tuition-and-fees/cost-calculator">http://www.unr.edu/tuition-and-fees/cost-calculator</a>  | \$   |
| B. Less: To determine your <b>Estimated Family Contribution (EFC)</b> :<br>See instructions on pages two and three of this form for the link below:<br><a href="http://www.nelnetsolutions.com/finaid/efcsimplecalc.asp">http://www.nelnetsolutions.com/finaid/efcsimplecalc.asp</a> | \$ - |
| C. Less: Estimated Aid from Other Sources:   | \$ - |
| D. Unmet Financial Need (A – B - C):   | \$ = |

A one page letter clarifying any special circumstances not reflected above may be submitted with this form.

**Certification:**

I certify that I am not eligible to complete the FAFSA and that the information on this form and any supporting documents are accurate, true, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I will provide other information as requested by UNR Financial Aid and Scholarships. I realize that a final decision may not be made unless all steps above are complete and until I submit any additional requested information. I understand any false information may be cause for denial, reduction or revocation of financial assistance.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Ten percent of students using this method, who must not be eligible to complete the FAFSA, will be verified. The Verification Process is robust and will require students to submit supporting documentation, including print screens of each of the pages of the cost calculators used on this form, bank statements and other income/asset verification documents similar to what was submitted by International Students to the US State Department to obtain the student visa.



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### **PETERSON'S ESTIMATED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC) CALCULATOR INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **Dependency status**

- If you are single and under age 24, select “Dependent Student”
- If you are single and over age 24 select “Independent Student”
- If you have dependents, select “Independent Student with Dependents” (this applies to married students or students with children)

**State of Residency:** As an international student select “Nevada”

#### **Number of Family Members in Household**

- If you are single “1”, otherwise enter appropriate number in your household, including yourself, and/or your spouse and/ or your children.

#### **Student’s Taxable Income**

- This is U.S. taxable income for the last calendar year. If you did not earn income in the U.S. in the last calendar year, enter “Zero”.

#### **Student’s Federal Taxes**

- For the prior calendar year ending December 31. If you did not pay U.S. Federal Taxes, enter “Zero”.

#### **Student’s Untaxable Income**

- If you have untaxable income enter in the amount (this includes any income earned outside of the U.S. on which you did not pay U.S. taxes). If none enter “Zero”.

#### **Examples of Untaxable Income**

- Income earned outside of the U.S. on which you did not pay U.S. taxes
- Earned Income Credit (EIC)
- Additional child tax credit
- Welfare benefits (not including food stamps or subsidized housing)
- Temporary Assistant for Needy Families (TANF) benefits
- Untaxed Social Security benefits
- Contributions to tax-deferred pension and savings plans
- IRA deductions and payments to SEP, SIMPLE, Keogh and other qualified plans
- Child support received for all children
- Tax exempt interest income
- Untaxed portions of IRA distributions (excluding rollovers)
- Untaxed portions of pensions (excluding rollovers)
- Housing, food and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy and others (including cash payments and cash value of benefits)

#### **Student Assets**

- The current value of a business and/or farm (excluding farms considered working farms or residence)
- Enter value amount, if none enter “Zero”.



**Student Assets - other**

- Value of all cash (checking and savings accounts), real estate and investments (excluding the value of your primary residence)
- Enter value amount; it is expected that each family have some assets to contribute.

**Parent Information**

- The questions for your parent(s) are the same as defined above for student.
- If your parents have income from 2013 enter in the total amounts (this includes any income earned outside of the U.S. on which they did not pay U.S. taxes) must be entered it in Father's or Mother's Taxable Income.
- Enter value amount, if none enter "Zero".

**Cost of Attendance (A)**

- You will click on the link to determine what your Cost of Attendance is.
- Enter the value in on the sheet.
- Screen Shot this page

**Petersen's Calculator (B)**

- Once you enter the data you will click on Calculate.
- Enter your EFC calculation on the sheet.

**Estimated Aid from Other Source s(C)**

- Add together your aid awards.
- Enter this amount on the sheet.

**Unmet Financial Need (D)**

- Take the amount in A and subtract the amount(s) in B and C.
- Enter this amount on the sheet.