

## Verification of 2013 Parent Income Information

**Important Note:** The instructions below apply to each parent included in the household. Notify the financial aid office if the parents filed separate IRS income tax returns for 2013 or had a change in marital status after the end of the 2013 tax year on December 31, 2013.

**Instructions:** Complete this section if the parents filed or will file a 2013 IRS income tax return(s). *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at [FAFSA.gov](http://FAFSA.gov).* In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2013 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed.

In most cases, for electronic tax return filers, 2013 IRS income tax return information for the IRS DRT is available within 2–3 weeks after the 2013 electronic IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2013 paper IRS income tax returns, the 2013 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS DRT within 8–11 weeks after the 2013 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS. Contact the financial aid office if more information is needed about using the IRS DRT.

To obtain a **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript**, go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and click on the “Order a Return or Account Transcript” link. Make sure to request the “IRS Tax Return Transcript” and not the “IRS Tax Account Transcript.” Use the Social Security Number (or the IRS individual taxpayer number) and the date of birth of the first person listed on the 2013 IRS income tax return, and the address on file with the IRS (normally this will be the address used on the 2013 IRS income tax return). In most cases, for electronic filers, a **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be requested from the IRS within 2–3 weeks after the 2013 IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2013 paper IRS income tax returns, the **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be requested within 8–11 weeks after the 2013 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS.

If the parents filed separate 2013 IRS income tax returns, **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcripts** must be provided for both.

## Verification of 2013 Income Information for Student Tax Filers

**Important Note:** The instructions below apply to the student and spouse, if the student is married. Notify the financial aid office if the student or spouse filed separate IRS income tax returns for 2013 or had a change in marital status after the end of the 2013 tax year on December 31, 2013.

**Instructions:** Complete this section if the student and spouse filed or will file a 2013 IRS income tax return(s). *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at [FAFSA.gov](http://FAFSA.gov).* In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2013 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed.

In most cases, for electronic tax return filers, 2013 IRS income tax return information for the IRS DRT is available within 2–3 weeks after the 2013 electronic IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2013 paper IRS income tax returns, the 2013 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS DRT within 8–11 weeks after the 2013 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS. Contact the financial aid office if more information is needed about using the IRS DRT.

To obtain a **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript**, go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and click on the “Order a Return or Account Transcript” link. Make sure to request the “IRS Tax Return Transcript” and not the “IRS Tax Account Transcript.” Use the Social Security Number (or the IRS individual taxpayer identification number) and the date of birth of the first person listed on the 2013 IRS income tax return, and the address on file with the IRS (normally this will be the address used on the 2013 IRS income tax return). In most cases, for electronic filers, a **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be requested from the IRS within 2–3 weeks after the 2013 IRS income tax return has been

accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2013 paper IRS income tax returns, the **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be requested within 8–11 weeks after the 2013 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS.

If the student and spouse filed separate 2013 IRS income tax returns, **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcripts** must be provided for both.

### **Verification of 2013 Income Information for Individuals with Unusual Circumstances**

#### **Individuals Granted a Filing Extension by the IRS**

If an individual is required to file a 2013 IRS income tax return and has been granted a filing extension by the IRS, provide the following documents:

- A copy of IRS Form 4868, “Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return,” that was filed with the IRS for tax year 2013;
- A copy of the IRS’s approval of an extension beyond the automatic six-month extension if the individual requested an additional extension of the filing time for tax year 2013; and
- A copy of IRS Form W–2 for each source of employment income received for tax year 2013 and, if self-employed, a signed statement certifying the amount of the individual’s Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) and the U.S. income tax paid for tax year 2013.

#### **Individuals Who Filed an Amended IRS Income Tax Return**

If an individual filed an amended IRS income tax return for tax year 2013, provide both of the following:

- A signed copy of the original 2013 IRS income tax return that was filed with the IRS or a **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript** or the 2013 tax year; and
- A signed copy of the 2013 IRS Form 1040X, “Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return,” that was filed with the IRS.

#### **Individuals Who Were Victims of IRS Identity Theft**

- A victim of IRS identity theft who is not able to obtain a **2013 IRS Tax Return Transcript** or use the IRS DRT must contact the IRS at 1-800-908-4490. Upon authentication of the tax filer’s identity, the IRS will provide, by U.S. Postal Service, a printout of the tax filer’s 2013 IRS income tax return information.

#### **Individuals Who Filed Non-IRS Income Tax Returns**

- An individual filed or will file a 2013 income tax return with Puerto Rico, another U.S. territory (e.g., Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Northern Marianas Islands), or with a foreign country, must provide a signed copy of that 2013 income tax return(s).