

- Decrease of Earned Income** If you changed employers and your income is less or you are working for the same employer and your rate of pay has decreased, please provide the document listed below:
- Please explain your employment changes in the Special Circumstance Statement section at the end of this form. Include your employer name, date employer and/or income changed.
 - Signed and dated letter or email from your previous employer (**on company letterhead/email**) stating your dates of employment or date change in income occurred with current and previous rate of pay.
 - Copy of 2024 final pay stub (if applicable) with year-to-date earnings including all paid out benefits (i.e. vacation, sick time).
 - Signed and dated letter from new employer (**on company letterhead**) stating the date you began employment.
 - Copy of most recent pay stub to reflect your new rate of pay and a copy of final paystub reflecting prior pay with year-to-date earnings if applicable.
 - Copy of 2022 and 2023 W-2(s), include spouse where applicable.
 - Copy of 2022 IRS Tax Transcript(s), if not provided with Verification. Transcripts can be requested at www.irs.gov/transcript.
 - Signed copy of 2023 Federal Tax Return (We will not need Tax software worksheets, State Tax Returns or Local Tax Returns)
- Loss/Reduction of Child Support Benefit**
- Statement from Child Support Enforcement Agency showing payments for the 2022, 2023, and 2024 years with the obligor/obligee names (OR) a copy of end of year pay stub showing total amount withheld from pay for child support.
 - Copy of Divorce Decree with Child Support Agreement if child/children names are not included on the statement from the Child Support Enforcement Agency or if multiple dependent children are included in the household.
 - Please include the information below in the Special Circumstance Statement section at the end of this form, including the name(s) of the child/children who they will cease receiving benefits for and if they will continue to receive benefits for other dependent children. You must also include the date child support benefits end.
- One-Time-Only Distribution**
- Please explain in your statement the amount of your one-time-only distribution, how the funds were used and if any funds are remaining.
 - Copy of 2022 tax document(s) reflecting distribution (i.e. W-2G, 1099-R, 1099-B, and 1099-C).
 - Copy of 2022 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s), if not provided with Verification. Transcripts can be requested at www.irs.gov/transcript.
 - Please include the information below in the Special Circumstance Statement section at the end of this form.
- Unusual Medical Expenses (not applicable for graduate students)** - Only expenses incurred and paid in 2022 will be considered.
- Please provide details about your Special Circumstance in the Special Circumstance Statement section at the end of this form.
 - Itemized account statements showing patient name, date of service, charges, and student payment, OR;
 - Copy of Tax Schedule A from your 2022 IRS 1040 Federal Tax Return (if medical expenses were reported).
- Loss or Reduction of Income Due to Disability or Retirement**
- Please explain your disability or retirement change in the Special Circumstance Statement at the end of this form.
 - Copy of disability or retirement benefit statement(s) showing date disability or retirement began and the monthly benefit amount.
 - Copy of 2024 final pay stub(s) (if reduction in income occurred in 2024) with year-to-date earnings (if employed all/partial year).
 - Copy of 2022 & 2023 W-2(s) - include spouse where applicable.
 - Copy of 2022 IRS Tax Transcript(s), if not provided with Verification. Transcripts can be requested at www.irs.gov/transcript.
 - Signed copy of 2023 Federal Tax Return (We will not need Tax software worksheets, State Tax Returns or Local Tax Returns)
 - Include information in your statement about your special circumstance.

Other Circumstances

- Please explain your Other Circumstance in the box provided below.


Special Circumstance Statement


Please provide an explanation of your Special Circumstance. It's important to include all relevant information, such as the date circumstances occurred, specific details regarding the Special Circumstance and any other information you feel will help us understand your change in circumstances.

APPEAL PROCESS:

1. If your appeal is approved, you will be notified by mail or email and your Student Aid Report will be reprocessed by the U.S. Department of Education with the special circumstance's information. This process could take up to four weeks.
2. If your appeal is not approved, you will be notified by mail or email and your aid will be based on the information provided on the FAFSA.

Certification and Signatures: I certify that all information and documentation submitted is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. If asked, I agree to provide additional proof of the information/documentation provided with this form. I authorize the University to verify any third-party documentation which I have submitted.

 **Student Signature:** _____ **Date:** _____

 **Parent Signature:** _____ **Date:** _____

Return this form, your letter, and supporting documentation within 2 weeks to: finaidforms@franklin.edu