Missouri State University-West Plains

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| 2023-2024 Student Marital and Tax Status |

Complete form in blue or black ink.

Name: (Last) (First) (M.I.) Bear Pass #

Your marital status you reported on item #16, on the 2023-2024 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) does not appear to agree with your tax return filing status reported on item #31. **NOTE: This does not mean your FAFSA is incorrect**. Please review your FAFSA. If one of these items is incorrect, you need to make a correction. If the information you reported is correct, make sure the income information reported, correctly reflects your 2021 income (and spouse’s if required).

**FAFSA guidance** for students regarding marital status:

* Report your marital status as of the date you signed your original FAFSA. If your marital status changes after you sign your FAFSA, check with the Financial Aid Office.

**FAFSA guidance** for students regarding income information:

* Answer 2021 income information about yourself (the student). If you were **never married, or are separated, divorced or widowed and are not remarried**, **answer only about yourself**.
* If you are **married or remarried** as of the day you complete your FAFSA, include 2021 income information about **you and your spouse**.

**After reviewing your FAFSA and the guidance above, please check the box that applies**:

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My marital or tax filing status was originally entered incorrectly. I will correct my FAFSA. **An explanation of the error and changes is included on the back of this form. Include the date**
 **changes were made. This form will not be processed without a statement.**

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My FAFSA is correct.

My marital status on the day the FAFSA was complete (circle one):

 Married/remarried Single Separated Divorced/widowed

 Date of marital status circled: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **If married**, did you include both your income and your spouse’s income for 2021? Yes No

Your 2021 tax filing status: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Spouse’s 2021 tax filing status \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **If separated, divorced or widowed & not remarried** you should only include your income.

I only included my income: Yes or No

 **If you need to include additional information/explanation, please use the back of this form**.

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Student Signature Date

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