

Verification of Citizenship

Your 2022–23 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) requires additional information in order to verify that you are a citizen or national of the United States. You must provide proof of your eligible citizenship status in one of two ways:

1. Present the original document in person to a staff member in the Office of Financial Aid to photocopy, or
2. Mail, email, or submit a clear photocopy of your original document via Financial Aid's 'Document Upload' tool on MyBLUE. On the copy you **should list your NU-ID, write out the following statement, sign and date:**

"I certify that all of the information provided on this document is accurate and complete."

Acceptable documents for Proof of U.S. Citizenship include:

- A copy of the student's birth certificate showing that the student was born in the United States, which includes Puerto Rico (on or after January 13, 1941), Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands (on or after January 17, 1917), American Samoa, Swains Island, or the Northern Mariana Islands, unless the person was born to foreign diplomats residing in the U.S.
- A U.S. passport, current or expired, except limited passports.
- A copy of Form FS-240 (Consular Report of Birth Abroad), FS-545 (Certificate of birth issued by a foreign service post), or DS-1350 (Certification of Report of Birth). These are State Department documents.
- A Certificate of Citizenship (N-560 or N-561), issued by USCIS to individuals who derive U.S. citizenship through a parent.
- A Certificate of Naturalization (N-550 or N-570), issued by USCIS through a federal or state court, or through administrative naturalization after December 1990 to those who are individually naturalized.