



DEPENDENCY OVERRIDE REQUEST

Academic Year 2025-2026

According to Federal Student Aid regulation, all applicants are considered either independent or dependent. To determine your status, please visit <https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out/dependency>. A dependent student is required to report parent income information on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Under some circumstances including, but not limited to, parental abuse, abandonment, or neglect, an aid administrator can determine that an otherwise dependent student may be considered independent for federal student aid purposes. **Conditions that do NOT qualify include (Review before continuing):**

- Parents' refusal to contribute to the student's education or other needs
- Parents' unwillingness to provide information on the FAFSA or verification documents
- Parents' not claiming the student as a dependent for income tax or insurance purposes
- Student not living in the parent's household

A. Student Information

Student First and Last Name

Student CU ID Number

B. Explanation of Circumstances

Provide a typed and signed explanation of your situation. **Include the state of the relationship between you and your parents, their whereabouts, where you have lived for the past 12 months, and how you are supporting yourself.** All information is confidential.

C. Documentation

Attach the following documentation. **All documents MUST be completed and submitted in order for your request to be processed.**

- Signed statements from **AT LEAST TWO** third-parties to support your Explanation of Circumstances. These can include statements from a counselor, teacher, caseworker, etc. **Statements must be on professional letterhead or notarized.**
- Any documentation of your situation that supports your statement. This could include court documents, DHS documentation, arrest records, etc.

D. Student Certification and Signature

I certify that all information reported is complete and correct. I have not knowingly or intentionally provided any false statements or fraudulent documentation.

Student Signature

Date

Submit completed form and required documents to:
Office of Financial Assistance
Cameron University – North Shepler 332
2800 West Gore Blvd
Lawton, OK 73505-6320
FAX: 580-581-2556 | EMAIL: financialaid@cameron.edu