



Verification Policy

Because students sometimes make errors in their applications, there is a process for verifying applications and making corrections. Arizona College must verify applications selected by the U.S. Department of Education's Central Processing System (CPS), who will receive or have received subsidized student financial assistance. Subsidized student financial assistance programs include the Federal Pell Grant, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), Federal Work-Study (FWS), and the Direct Subsidized Loan program.

***Arizona College reserves the right to verify any application the College has reason to believe is incorrect or discrepant.*

All financial aid applicants are encouraged to utilize the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) when completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form. The DRT saves time and increases the accuracy of the financial information collected on the FAFSA. The DRT is also the fastest and most secure solution for meeting verification requirements, if applicable. At times students may need to submit corrections/updates to their application online via studentaid.gov.

To ensure funding can be processed in a timely manner, students are required to submit the required documentation within 5 days of the request. Failure to submit the documentation may result in the loss of funding. Arizona College will notify students, based on the documentation submitted and corrections made, of any changes to their EFC that affects their financial aid awards by presenting a new award offer. The Director of Financial Aid must approve exception to this policy.

Please Note:

If the College suspects that a student, employee, or other individual has misreported information or altered documentation to fraudulently obtain federal funds, the College must report their suspicions and provide any evidence to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) via the OIG's National Hotline or by submitting a claim online.