

1) Student Name: (Last, First)	TU ID#:
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2) I am requesting *independent status* for the **2023-2024** school year. The conditions, under which I previously requested independent status, as they relate to my financial aid eligibility, are the same as they were when I originally appealed to TU. In addition to the issues discussed in my appeal, I still do not live with my parents or receive any financial support from them. I understand that if I give false or misleading information on this federal aid application, I may be subject to a fine of up to \$20,000, up to 5 years in prison, or both.

- If all statements are true, sign here:

Signature:	Date:
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- If the statements are **not** all true, please attach a signed explanation.

If you disclose any information regarding current or previous childhood abuse or neglect, state law requires TU staff to report the information to MD's office of [Child Protective Services](#) even if the events occurred years ago.

3) Submit your **2023-2024** FAFSA on-line at [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov)

FAFSA Submission Date:

When you submit your FAFSA on-line, you will probably answer "No" to all the questions in the *Dependency Determination* section.

- In the *Special Circumstance* section, indicate that you are "unable to provide parent information."
- Do not provide any parent data, and "acknowledge that your FAFSA will be submitted without calculating an EFC."

4) Submit this form to the *TU Financial Aid Office* by these **deadlines**.

TU Priority Deadline: Submit your FAFSA by **2/1/2023**.

MHEC Deadline: Submit your FAFSA by **3/1/2023**.

You must meet these deadlines to apply for additional aid from TU and the *Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC)*. If you missed these deadlines, apply **now** because you can still apply for Federal grants and loans.

5) If we approve your renewal request, we will change your FAFSA status to Independent.

If you submitted your FAFSA by March 1, we will also notify the *Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC)*.

6) **Submission Methods** - Choose one of these submission methods.

Document Upload	Fax	Mail	In Person
Scan documents and upload to www.towson.edu/SubmitAidDocs . Please combine multiple pages into a single PDF file.	410-704-2584	Towson University Financial Aid Office 8000 York Road Towson, MD 21252	Room 339 Enrollment Services Center Monday - Friday 8:00 - 4:30

Please allow us 2 to 3 days to remove document requests from your To-Dos.