Your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for a process called verification. Before awarding Federal Student Aid, we must ask you to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA. We will compare your FAFSA with the information you report on this and any other required documentation. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. Contact our office if you have any questions regarding this form at 510.879.9200 or email us at finaid@samuelmerritt.edu. Submit this completed form with any required documents to the Financial Aid Office at 3100 Telegraph Ave, Oakland, CA 94609.

A. **STUDENT INFORMATION**: (Please Print)

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B. **HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION STATUS**

Provide **ONE** of the following documents that indicate your high school completion status when you will begin college in 2021-2022:

a. A copy of your high school diploma;

b. A copy of your final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded;

c. A copy of your General Educational Development (GED) certificate or GED transcript;

d. An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor’s degree;

e. If State law requires a homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential;

f. If State law does not require a homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completing credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a transcript or the equivalent, signed by the student’s parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and documents that successful completion of a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

► If you are unable to obtain the documentation listed above, you must contact the Financial Aid Office.
IDENTITY AND STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE
(To Be Signed at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at Samuel Merritt University to verify his or her identity by presenting an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport. The institution will maintain a copy of the student’s photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student’s ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

IDENTITY AND STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

I certify that I, ________________________________, am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Samuel Merritt University for 2021-2022.

__________________________________________________________________________
Student’s Signature ____________________________ Date

__________________________________________________________________________
Student’s ID Number ____________________________

__________________________________________________________________________
Financial Aid Administrator (Print Name) ____________________________ Date

__________________________________________________________________________
Financial Aid Administrator Signature ____________________________ Date

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

I certify that all of the information reported on this worksheet is complete and correct. The student must sign this worksheet. If married, the spouse’s signature is optional.

__________________________________________________________________________
Student’s Name (Print Name) ____________________________

__________________________________________________________________________
Spouse’s Name (Print Name) ____________________________

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.
C. IDENTITY AND STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE VERIFICATION

IDENTITY AND STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE
(To Be Signed in the Presence of Notary)

If the student is unable to appear in person at Samuel Merritt University to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:

(a) A copy of the unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, or that is presented to a notary, such as but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport; AND

(b) The original Statement of Educational Purpose provided below, which must be notarized. If the notary statement appears on a separate page than the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be a clear indication that the Statement of Educational Purpose was the document notarized.

STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

I certify that I, _______________________________ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Samuel Merritt University for 2021-2022.

________________________________________________         _________________________________
Student’s Signature              Date

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Student’s ID Number

NOTARY’S CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

State of  ____________________________________________________________
City/County of  _______________________________________________________
On______________________, before me__________________________________________,
(Date)           (Notary’s name)
Personally appeared, ____________________________________________, and provided to me
(Printed Name of signer)
On basis of satisfactory evidence of identification ________________________________
(Type of unexpired government-issued ID provided)
To be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

____________________________________________________________________
(Notary’s Signature)
My Commission expires on ____________________________
(Date)