Dependency Override Request Form

PLEASE PRINT:

Student’s Name: ___________________________ ID#: ____________

Address: _________________________________ City _______ State ____ Zip ________

Telephone: (___)________________ Cell #: __________________

If you believe that you have an unusual situation that would make you an independent student even though you do not meet the federal definition of an independent student for financial aid purposes, or you are homeless, you must complete this form. Be specific, complete all areas, and attach documentation to support your claim.

Your request will be reviewed with regard to Federal Title IV Regulation. You will be notified of our decision via your UM Western email. If you have questions regarding this form, please contact our office, 406-683-7511.

1. Please fill in contact information for your parents:

   Father                         Mother

   Name: _________________________ Name: __________________________
   Address: ______________________ Address: _______________________
   Phone # ______________________ Phone # ________________________

   If you are unable to provide the above information, please explain:

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2. Do you have health insurance? _____Yes _____No

   If Yes, who provides your health insurance: ________________________________?
   Who pays for this health coverage: ________________________________?

3. Please describe the last time you had contact with your parent(s). Be specific as to time, place, and the nature of the contact.

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4. Explain what unusual situation should make you an independent student. (Please note that parents’ unwillingness to provide income information does not, according to Federal Regulation, constitute grounds for a dependency override.)

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5. Tell us how you have been able to support yourself. Include information regarding where you currently live, how you pay for food, clothing, cell phone, transportation etc.

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6. When did you begin supporting yourself without the help of your parents?

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7. Attach three (3) letters from individuals who are aware of your situation. Only one (1) letter may be from a friend or relative. Examples of other acceptable individual are landlord, clergy, counselor, social worker, teacher, employer, or medical authority. **If documenting homelessness and you are a 2021 graduate, you must also attach documentation from your school’s homeless liaison & a statement from the liaison (on school letterhead) explaining why you were classified as homeless.**

Indicate the Name, Address, Job Title and relationship to you for the individuals providing letters:

1.________________________________________________________________________________

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2.________________________________________________________________________________

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3.________________________________________________________________________________

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SIGNATURE:

Student: ________________________________ Date __________

I certify by my signature that the above information is true and correct. **I further understand that providing false or misleading information to the Financial Aid Office can result in fines, up to $20,000 and repayment of funds, imprisonment or both by the Office of the Inspector General.**

**FINANCIAL AID OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Accepted ( ) Declined ( ) Why? __________________________________________________________________________________________

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Date __________