TOWSON UNIVERSITY | Financial Aid

2027-2028 Dependency Appeal Renewal

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1)

Student Name: (Last, First)	TU ID#:

2) I am requesting *independent status* for the **2027-2028** 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:**

- 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) If you haven't already submitted your **2027-2028** FAFSA yet, submit it online at FAFSA.gov

When you submit your FAFSA online, accurately answer questions 5 and 6 and 7. If you can answer yes to question 7 about *Unusual Circumstances*, the online form won't require your parent's data, and they will forward your request for independent status to us for our review and approval.

If you already submitted your FAFSA, when did you submit it? _____ (Date)

4) Submit this form to the *TU Financial Aid Office* by our **TU Priority Deadline, February 1, 2027**.

You must meet this deadline for priority consideration for grants from TU.

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

If you are a Maryland resident, 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 4 to 5 days to remove document requests from your To-Dos.

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