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

2) I am requesting Independent status for the **2020-2021** 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) Submit your **2020-2021** FAFSA on-line at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.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. Then on 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.”

- TU Priority Deadline: Submit your FAFSA by **1/15/2020**.
- MHEC Deadline: Submit your FAFSA by **3/1/2020**.

You must meet these deadlines to apply for additional aid from TU and the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC). If you miss these deadlines, apply as soon as possible after the deadline. You can still apply for Federal grants and loans.

4) Submit this form to the TU Financial Aid Office by the deadlines listed above.

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) **Return Methods (Choose only one):**

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8000 York Road  
Towson, MD 21252-0001  
410-704-2584  
Enrollment Services Center  
Room 339  
Monday – Thursday  8:00 - 5:00  
Friday  8:00 - 4:30 | Enrollment Services Center  
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Please do not call to confirm receipt of faxes. Please wait at least 2 business days. Then check your TU To-Do-List.