

2025-2026 IDENTITY & STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

Student's Last Name	Student's First Name	M.I.	Oxy ID or Last 4 Digits of SSN
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Your 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected by the U.S. Department of Education for a review process called verification. This means the Occidental Office of Financial Aid is required to collect supporting documentation to verify or confirm information reported on your FAFSA. Thus, the purpose of this form is to verify your identity and collect a signed Statement of Education Purpose. Please note that this verification process must be completed before any financial aid can be disbursed.

There are two options for completing this form.

Option 1: You must appear in person at the Office of Financial Aid to present your identity documents and sign the Statement of Educational Purpose.

Option 2: If you are unable to appear in person, you must go to a notary public to sign this form and present your identity documents. The notary will verify that you appeared before them to complete this process and fill out the Certification of Acknowledgement. You will submit this form with the original wet signatures and your identity document.

OPTION 1: TO BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED AT OCCIDENTAL OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

The student must appear in person at Occidental College's Office of Financial Aid 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 by the institution 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.

STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing this Statement of
(Print Student's Name)

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 Occidental College for 2025-2026.

Student's Signature	Date	Student's ID Number
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Office of Financial Aid Official Use Only

Government Photo ID Type: Driver's License State Issued ID Passport
 Other _____

Signature of Official Receiving Documentation	Print Name	Date
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OPTION 2: TO BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC

If the student is unable to appear in person at Occidental's Office of Financial Aid 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

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(Print Student's Name)

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 Occidental College for 2025-2026.

Student's Signature

Date

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 on basis
(Printed name of signer)

of satisfactory evidence of identification _____ to be the
(Type of government-issued photo ID provided)

above name person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal
(seal)

(Notary Signature)

My commission expires on

(Date)