

2025 – 2026 IDENTITY & STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE (EDPURP)

Federal financial aid guidelines require the Student Financial Aid Office to collect and maintain this documentation as part of your file. This form **must** be returned in person and signed in front of an Office of Student Financial Aid staff member OR the original documents must be mailed after notarization. **DO NOT fax, email, or otherwise electronically submit (including via TigerHelp ticket) this form.**

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name: _____ **U ID Number:** _____

SSN (last four): XXX-XX-_____ **Phone Number:** _____

A. IN PERSON

The student must appear in person at the University of Memphis Office of Student 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 Office of Student Financial Aid staff, the Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose provided below:

Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I (Print Student's Name) _____ 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 the University of Memphis for 2025-2026.

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

Staff Witness:

B. BY MAIL (Originals required, fax/email not acceptable)

If the student is unable to appear in person at the University of Memphis Office of Student Financial Aid to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution: **(To Be Signed WITH Notary)**

- 1) 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**
- 2) The original Statement of Educational Purpose provided on this form, 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.

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____

City/County of _____

On (Date) _____, before me (Notary's name), _____

personally appeared (Printed name of signer), _____,

and provided to me on basis of satisfactory evidence of identification (Type of government-issued photo ID provided)

_____ to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

(seal)

(Notary signature)

My commission expires on (Date): _____