

Student's Name _____

FIDN: _____

2025-2026 Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose Form

Your 2025–2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called verification. Before awarding Federal Student Aid, we are required to verify your identity and collected a signed Statement of Educational Purpose.

You must appear in person at the Office of Enrollment Services to verify your identity by presenting a 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 your photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect your ID.

In addition, you must sign in the presence of the Enrollment Services staff member. If you are unable to appear in person to verify your identity, you must provide the information on page 2 and sign in the presence of a notary. The original notarized copy of this document must be mailed to the Office of Student Financial Services. Faxes and scans are not acceptable.

Please complete in person at the Office of Enrollment Services:

Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at Fordham University 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 Educational Purpose and
(Print Student's Name)

that the Federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Fordham University for 2025–2026.

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

(Student's ID Number)

Financial Aid Official Use:

MUST BE COMPLETED AT TIME OF RECEIPT - The official receiving document **MUST** indicate date of receipt and his/her name on ALL documents received in support of this statement.

Type of ID presented _____ Copy of ID collected: Yes No

Printed name of official receiving documentation

Date of receipt of documentation

Signature of receiving official

Please complete in the presence of a notary (Only needed if unable to sign in person at the Office of Enrollment Services):

**Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed in the Presence of a Notary)**

If the student is unable to appear in person at Fordham University 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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(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 proved to me on basis of satisfactory evidence of
(Printed name of signer)

identification _____ to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.
(Type of government-issued photo ID provided)

WITNESS my hand and official seal
(seal)

(Notary signature)

My commission expires on

(Date)