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MARRIAGE & FINANCIAL AID

Are you getting the most federal financial aid possible? You have the option of correcting your marital status on the FAFSA — and potentially qualifying for more aid — if the following conditions are met:

- 1. You have submitted an initial FAFSA by June 30.
- 2. You are married by June 30 of the academic year.
- 3. You are or will be enrolled in the academic year at the time of the updates.



HOW TO CORRECT YOUR FAFSA:

- Go to fafsa.gov. DO NOT submit a new FAFSA.
- Edit your marital status on your original FAFSA on the dependency status page (even though the question will ask for your marital status as of the day you submitted your FAFSA).
- Update your household size and number in college.
- Include your spouse's income.
- Report money received or paid on your behalf or your spouse's behalf (e.g., bills, tuition) during the reported tax year, including money received from parents or others.
- If asset information is requested, include your assets and your spouse's assets as of the date you first submitted this FAFSA.
- You will receive an error message; click on the *Check Error* button, review and press *Submit*.

When BYU receives your updated FAFSA, you will be required to complete FAFSA verification. This means you will be required to submit documentation to verify the information you corrected on the FAFSA.

COMPLETE VERIFICATION:

- 3–5 business days after resubmitting the FAFSA, review your My Financial Center for a task instructing you to create an account/log in to Student Forms.
- Review Student Forms and submit the required documents for you and your spouse, which may include:
 - Marriage certificate
 - Signed Form 1040 or tax return transcript
 - W-2 form(s)
 - · Verification of non-filing from the IRS

Complete any additional tasks posted in My Financial Center. After completing this process, your financial aid eligibility may increase or decrease. Allow 2–3 weeks after completing all tasks for your aid to adjust.

If you have any questions about updating your FAFSA after getting married, call 801-422-4104 or sign up for our Marriage and Financial Aid Workshop at *workshops.byu.edu*.



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