



OFFICE USE ONLY
(Date Stamp & Initial)

IDENTITY AND STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

AID YEAR VERIFIED: _____

You must verify your identity and sign a Statement of Educational Purpose. This form must be mailed to the address listed below or delivered in person, not faxed, or emailed, as we need the original seal of the notary. You must submit the form with an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport attached (Note: a student ID is not a valid form of ID). You may complete this in person (Section A), or you may complete this in the presence of a notary (Section B).

Student's Name: Last _____ First _____ M.I. _____ USC ID _____ VIP ID _____

STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

This form must be signed by the student in the presence of the Financial Aid Administrator if completing Section A, or in the presence of the Notary if completing Section B.

I certify that I _____ 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 South Carolina Aiken.
(Print Student's Name)

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

SECTION A: CAN YOU APPEAR IN PERSON? YES.

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.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA AIKEN CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On _____ (Date), before me personally appeared _____ (Name of Student) and proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence of identification to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

Financial Aid Administrator's Signature: _____

Type of unexpired valid government issued photo ID provided and attached: _____

SECTION B: CAN YOU APPEAR IN PERSON? NO.

If the student is unable to appear in person at The University of South Carolina Aiken campus to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:

- I. A copy of the unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below.
- II. 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.

NOTARY CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

(Notaries can often be found at local banks, credit unions, insurance agencies or shipping stores. Certification may vary.)

State of: _____, City/County of: _____.

On _____ (Date), before me _____ (Name of Notary), personally appeared _____ (Name of Student) and proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence of identification to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

Type of unexpired valid government issued photo ID provided and attached: _____

Notary's Signature: _____

My commission expires on: _____

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