

## FAFSA Checklist: a guide for information you'll need to file the FAFSA

### **Information about yourself:**

- Social Security Number
- Alien Registration Number (if you are an eligible noncitizen like a US Permanent Resident)
- Your federal income tax returns (if you filed a tax return) and W-2s (if you worked) from the “prior-prior” year. For the 2019-2020 FAFSA this means the tax year 2017
- Sum of your cash, savings accounts and investments
- Records of any untaxed income you may receive

### **Information about your parent(s):**

- Social Security Number
- Their federal income tax returns (if they filed tax returns) and W-2s (if they worked) from the “prior-prior” year. For the 2019-2020 FAFSA this means the tax year 2017
- Total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts
- Net worth of investments, including real estate (but excluding primary home)
- Net worth of current businesses and/or investment farms
- Records of any untaxed income
  - Payments to tax-deferred pension and retirement savings plans
  - IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE and Keogh
  - Child support received
  - Untaxed portions of IRA distributions or pensions
  - Housing, food, and other living allowances
  - Veterans noneducation benefits
  - Workers' compensation or disability