



**STEP 1: Projected Income and Benefits.** You must provide the following information, including the best estimate of the changes in the financial situation for yourself and/or your parent(s) for one of the time periods indicated below.

Please check the tax year for which your estimated income is being provided:  2020 (1/1/2020 through 12/31/2020)  
 2021 (1/1/2021 through 12/31/2021)

Source of Income	Student	Father / Stepfather	Mother / Stepmother	Student's Spouse
Wages, Tips, Salary				
Interest and/or Dividend Income				
Unemployment Compensation				
Worker's Compensation				
Pensions and/or Annuities				
Severance Pay				
Retirement Benefits				
Disability Benefits (taxable)				
Social Security Benefits (taxable)				
Child Support				
Alimony				
<b>Total of all income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

**STEP 2: Explanation of Special Circumstances.** Attach a signed, written statement detailing the specifics of your circumstances and providing any pertinent information that will help us better understand your particular situation.

**STEP 3: Signed Statement of Certification**

I certify that the information provided here is correct to the best of my knowledge and that I have attached all appropriate documentation. I understand that the factors in determining a family's contribution are based on laws and guidelines by the Federal Government and the University. I understand these guidelines are the same for all who are in similar economic situations. Furthermore, I understand that submission of my appeal does not automatically qualify me for an increase in funds. All persons providing information must sign below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Spouse's Signature (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Signature (if student is dependent)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

**Important notes about submitting an appeal due to special circumstances:**

1. If you filed your 2021-2022 FAFSA and received an EFC = Zero (0), you already received the **maximum in federal aid**. Submitting this appeal **may result in an increase in RWU institutional aid only**.
2. If the estimated income for 2020 or 2021 is approximately the same or higher, (due to receiving unemployment, severance pay, other untaxed income, etc.), than the 2019 income listed on the FAFSA, submitting this appeal **will not** produce a change to your financial aid offer.
3. Some aid funding awarded on appeal is based on a one fiscal-year status, while other awards may be renewable. Each circumstance is reviewed on an individual basis.