

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

2020-2021 Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose Form

Student:

Student ID #:_____

Instructions:

Either: Bring in person to the Southern Miss Financial Aid Office the following:

- 1) This completed original Statement of Educational Purpose signed by you
- 2) Your unexpired valid government-issued photo identification

Or: If you are an online out-of-state student and unable to appear in person, mail page two to the appropriate address listed below:

- 1) This notarized <u>original</u> Statement of Educational Purpose signed by you
- 2) A notarized copy of your unexpired valid government-issued photo identification

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

The student must appear in person at The University of Southern Mississippi to verify his or her identity by presenting unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. Southern Miss will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student's ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the financial aid official, the following:

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I (*printed name*) ______ 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 Southern Mississippi for 2020-2021.

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

FOR FINANCIAL AID OFFICE USE ONLY:

Valid Government-issued Photo Identification Used:

Date Received:

Received By:

The University of Southern Mississippi (Hattiesburg)	The University of Southern Mississippi (Gulf Park)
Office of Financial Aid	Office of Financial Aid
118 College Drive	730 East Beach Blvd
Box 5101	Long Beach, MS 39560
Hattiesburg, MS 39406-0001	Phone: 228.214-3370
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Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed With Notary)

If the student is unable to appear in person at The University of Southern Mississippi to verify his or her identity, the student must provide:

- 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
- The original notarized Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I (*print student's name*) _______ 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 Southern Mississippi for 2020-2021.

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

(Student's ID Number)

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

WITNESS my hand and official seal

(seal)

(Notary signature)

My commission expires on

(Date)