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Eau Claire



Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose

Your FAFSA was selected by the US Department of Education to verify your Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose. This process requires that our office collect proof of your identity and that you sign this form, in the presence of a university official at Blugold Central (upload, fax or email copies will not be accepted). There are **two options** to complete this process.

1. The student must appear in person at **UW-Eau Claire**, to verify his or her identity by providing:
 - a. An unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport. UW-Eau Claire will maintain a copy of the student’s photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and reviewed and the name of the UWEC official authorized to receive and review the student’s ID.
 - b. In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the UWEC official, the Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.
2. If the student is unable to appear in person at UW-Eau Claire to verify his or her identity, the student must provide:
 - a. 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**
 - b. The original Statement of Education Purpose is provided below, which must be **notarized**.

Statement of Educational Purpose

If you come to Blugold Central on-campus to complete this form, you do not need it notarized.

I certify that I, _____, am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose
(Print Student’s Name)
 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 Wisconsin Eau Claire for 2025-2026.

Student Signature Student ID Number Date

Notary’s Certificate of Acknowledgement (only needed if not able to appear in person at Blugold Central)

State of _____ City/County of _____

On, _____ before me, _____
(Date) (Notary's Name)

personally appeared, _____, and proved to me because of satisfactory
(Printed name of signer)

evidence of identification _____ to be the above-named
(Type of unexpired government-issued photo ID provided)
 person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal _____
(seal) (Notary Signature)

My commission expires on _____
(Date)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: In Person: Attach a photocopy of the ID after verifying the student's identity.
 Document Type: _____ Institution Official Initials: _____ Date: _____