

DERECH HACHAIM SEMINARY

FEDERAL VERIFICATION PROCEDURES 2021-2022

To be distributed to students selected for federal verification

Your Institutional Student Information Record (ISIR) has been selected for federal verification. This means that you must provide additional information to the financial aid office in order for us to continue processing any federal financial aid for you. You must submit the required information in a timely manner. Failure to provide this information will make it impossible for you to receive federal financial aid. Please read the following procedures carefully. Feel free to contact the Financial Aid Director, Mr. Yechezkel Steinmetz at 845-783-5820, or come into the office if you have any questions.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the verification for the 2021-2022 award year has been waived, with the exception of Identity/Statement of Educational Purpose and High School Completion Status under Verification Tracking Groups V4 and V5.

If your application was flagged with Verification Tracking Group V4 or V5, you must complete the attached verification worksheet, and attach documentation of high school completion or the equivalent. Additionally, within 60 days of notification from the financial aid office, you must appear in person with your government issued photo ID, at Derech Hachaim Seminary to complete the section for Documentation of Identity/Statement of Educational Purpose.

The following flexibilities apply until the end of the payment period that includes the end date for the federally-declared emergency related to COVID-19: A student may complete the V4 and V5 verification requirements without appearing in person at the school. As well, if a student is having difficulty obtaining any verification documentation such as documentation of high school graduation or valid photo identification, the student should contact the financial aid office for information regarding obtaining alternative documentation.

After all documentation is received, the financial aid office will review it. If there is any inconsistent information, you will be called by the financial aid office to explain the

inconsistency and/or resolve it with further documentation. If school is not in session, you will be notified as soon as possible.

If it is necessary to make corrections to your SAR you can submit your corrections via FAFSA on the Web or the corrections can be submitted to the financial aid office to be transmitted electronically. If you are a dependent student, one of your parents may have to sign to the correction. Corrections must be submitted by September 10, 2022 and the corrected SAR must be received by Derech Hachaim Seminary within 120 days of the student's last date of enrollment for the 2021-2022 award year or September 17, 2022, whichever is earlier. We urge you to complete and submit all verification paperwork as soon as possible. If you do not provide the required documents by the above deadline, your federal awards for 2021-2022 will not be processed and you will not receive those awards.