

Office of Financial Aid

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Please submit this form to finaid@wpi.edu.

# **Dependency Override Request Form**

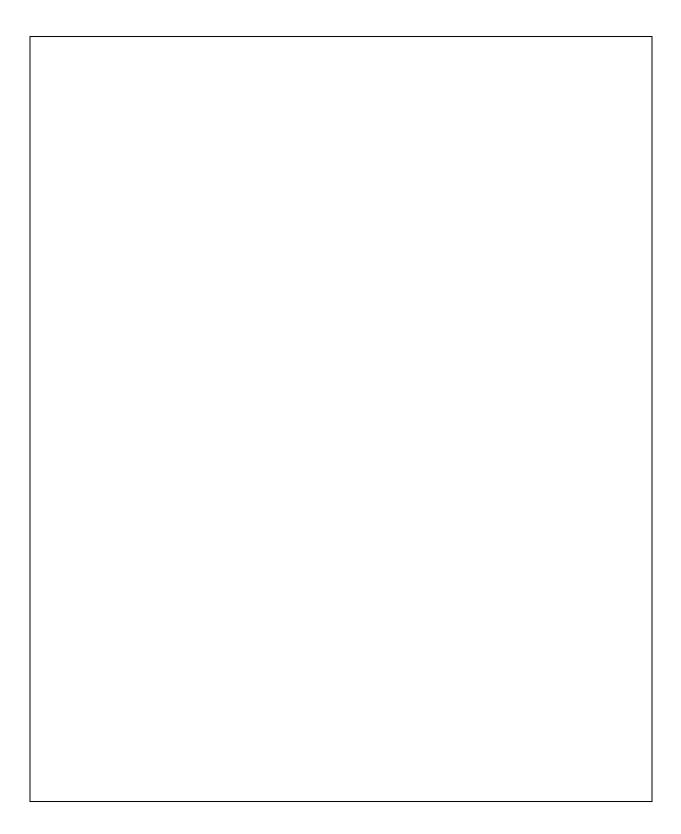
This form should be used by undergraduate dependent students who have an **unusual circumstance** preventing them from including their parent(s) on their FAFSA/CSS Profile and are requesting to be considered for **independent student status**. For more information about unusual circumstances that may be eligible for a dependency override, please visit our <u>website</u>.

Student Name:		
WPI ID:	Class of:	
Student Email:		

### **Personal Statement**

Using the box below, please explain the unusual circumstance preventing you from including your parent(s) on your FAFSA/CSS Profile.

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#### Documentation

In addition to your personal statement, you must submit any two of the following:

- Letter from a third party on official letterhead confirming your unusual circumstance
  - Examples of acceptable third-party individuals include a counselor, clergy member, high school official, professor, or another third-party source familiar with your situation in a professional capacity. Letters from family members or friends will not fulfill the requirement.
- Copy of a court order or official federal or state documentation that your parents or legal guardians are incarcerated
- Written statement from a state, county, or tribal welfare agency
- Written statement from a public or private agency, facility, or program servicing victims of abuse, neglect, assault, or violence
- Written statement from an attorney, guardian ad litem, a court-appointed special advocate
- Utility bills, health insurance, or other documents that demonstrate a separation from parents or legal guardians

#### **Next Steps**

Please submit this form with all required documentation via email to <u>finaid@wpi.edu</u> or fax to (508) 831-5039. WPI's Office of Financial Aid will review your dependency override request within a few weeks and may reach out to you requesting additional information. Submission of a dependency override request is not a guarantee that it will be granted. An approved dependency override request may or may not result in more or different types of financial aid awarded to you. If a dependency override is made, your status as an independent student will carry forward to subsequent years at WPI unless you inform the Office of Financial Aid that your situation has changed again.

## **Certification and Signature**

I hereby swear that my responses on this form are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature

Date