



**Verification of High School Completion/  
Identity & Statement of Educational Purpose**

Office of Financial Aid (VERIF)

Name (Last, First): \_\_\_\_\_

SUA ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**You must complete all application sections. Do not leave any question or amount response blank. If a question does not apply, write "N/A" (for Not Applicable) where a response is requested or "0" if an amount is requested. Forms submitted with blanks will be considered incomplete and may delay receipt of financial aid.**

**SECTION A: VERIFICATION OF HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION**

Please attach **ONE** of the following documents to this form indicating your high school completion status as of the date you will begin your classes at Soka University of America for the 2017–2018 school year:

- A copy of the student’s high school diploma.
- For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country:
  - A copy of the “secondary school leaving certificate” or other similar document
- A copy of the student’s final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- A state certificate or transcript received by a student after the student passed a state-authorized examination that the state recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other state-authorized examination).
- An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor’s degree.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a state where state law **does require** the student to obtain a “secondary school completion credential” for home-schooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent):
  - A copy of the aforementioned credential
- For a student who was home-schooled in a state where state law **does not require** the student to obtain a “secondary school completion credential” for home-schooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent):
  - A transcript, or the equivalent, signed by the student's parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed; and which includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a home-school setting.

**SECTION B: SIGNATURE(S)**

By signing this form you certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**(Please mail or deliver this form in-person to the address provided below. Please write your ID# on attached or supporting documents.)**



**SECTION C: IDENTITY & STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE**

**Verification of Identity**

You must appear in person at the Office of Financial Aid to verify your identity by presenting a valid government-issued photo identification (ID) such as, but not limited to a: Driver's License, State-issued ID, Passport, or other such documentation.

Soka University 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, you must sign, in the presence of the Office of Financial Aid staff, the **Statement of Educational Purpose** below. **If you are unable to sign this form in person, you may take this form to a Notary to complete and sign in front of them.**

**Statement of Educational Purpose**

I certify that I, \_\_\_\_\_, 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 Soka University of America for the 2017-18 academic year.

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Student Name (print)	Signature	Date
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\_\_\_\_\_  
SUA ID Number

**NOTE:** If you are unable to appear at the Office of Financial Aid In person, you must complete this form with a signed & sealed "Notary Certificate of Acknowledgement" (provided below).

**Notary Certificate of Acknowledgement**

State of \_\_\_\_\_, City/county of \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_,

before me, \_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Notary's name) (Printed name of signer)

Provided to me on basis of satisfactory evidence of identification \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type of government-issued photo ID provided)

To be the above named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official Seal \_\_\_\_\_  
(Seal) (Notary signature) (Date)

My commission expires on \_\_\_\_\_