

Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
2025-2026



TO BE SIGNED AT THE INSITUTION

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

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

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 Minnesota State University Moorhead for 2025-2026.

Student’s Signature _____ Date _____

Student’s ID _____

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE USE ONLY

The unexpired valid government-issued photo identification below was presented in person and received by the staff member. An annotated photocopy of the unexpired identification is attached to this form.

☐ Driver’s License ☐ Non-driver’s ID ☐ State-Issued ID ☐ U.S. Passport ☐ Other _____

I certify that the copy is a true and accurate representation of the student’s unexpired valid government-issued photo identification.

Staff Signature _____ Date _____

TO BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY

If the student is unable to appear in person at Minnesota State University Moorhead to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:

- (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 the notary, such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport; AND
- (b) The original Statement of Educational Purpose provided below, which must be notarized. If the notary statement appears on a separate page than the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be a clear indication that the Statement of Educational Purpose was the document notarized.

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 Minnesota State University Moorhead for 2025-2026.

Student’s Signature _____ Date _____

Student’s ID _____

Notary’s Certificate of Acknowledgment

State of _____ City/County of _____

On _____, before me, _____,
(Date) (Notary’s name)

personally appeared, _____,
(Printed name of signer)

and proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence of identification

(Type of unexpired government-issued photo identification provided)

to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

(seal)

Notary Signature _____

My commission expires on _____

RETURN THIS COMPLETED AND SIGNED FORM TO:

Minnesota State University Moorhead • Office of Scholarship and Financial Aid • MSUM Box 90 • 1104 7th Avenue South • Moorhead, MN 56563