

Financial Aid: Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose

All Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA) financial aid staff are currently working remotely due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and campus financial aid offices are closed. Under normal circumstances, students who are required to verify their identity and sign a Statement of Educational Purpose would be required to appear in person at a campus financial aid office in order to present valid and original government-issued photo identification and sign the Statement of Educational Purpose. However, during this time, you may do the following:

1. Provide a clear and legible copy of your valid government-issued photo identification (ID) such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport.
2. Complete the Self-Attestation and Statement of Educational Purpose provided below. Note that you must print this form and physically sign your name on the "Student's Signature" line below. Unfortunately, an electronic signature is not acceptable for this form.
3. Submit this form with a copy of your valid government-issued photo ID to the [24-Hour Student Support Center](#) as explained in the tutorial at <https://www.nvcc.edu/forms/pdf/125-396.pdf>. Please submit all documents at one time.

Self-Attestation

I certify that the documentation I am submitting with this form is a true and accurate copy of my original and valid government-issued photo identification. If I purposely give false or misleading information, I may be fined up to \$20,000, sent to prison, or both. I also acknowledge I may be asked to present my original documents at a later date.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I, (print student's name) _____, 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 **NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE (NOVA)** for **20** ____ - **20** ____.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Student's NOVA ID Number _____

If you have any questions, please call the 24-Hour Student Support Center at 1-855-323-3199 or contact the Financial Aid Office (<https://www.nvcc.edu/financialaid>).