Selective Service Requirement Appeal Process

Men aged 18–25 are required to register with the Selective Service System (SSS). This requirement covers men residing in the United States who are U.S. citizens or noncitizens, except that a man who is in the U.S. as a lawful nonimmigrant isn’t required to register as long as he maintains that status. Students who are required to register with the Selective Service must do so to be eligible for FSA funds.

The Central Processing System that processes the FAFSA application performs a match with the Selective Service System to determine if required students are registered. If the match does not confirm the student’s registration or the student cannot be registered, the student is not eligible for federal financial aid funds.

The student must make an appointment with either the Director or Assistant Director, and the following documents are required:

1. Submit a “Request for Status Information Letter” to Selective Service and wait to receive the Selective Service Status letter in the mail.

2. Write a statement explaining the failure to register with the Selective Service between the ages of 18-25.

3. Provide supporting documentation for the reason for not registering.

Examples could be:

- High school diploma showing the student dropped out prior to age 18
- Incarceration records showing incarceration between the ages of 18 and 25
- Other legal documentation
- If homeless, statements from homeless shelters that student resided in between the ages of 18 and 25.