

Financial Aid Unusual Circumstances Appeal Form 2025-2026 Academic Year

	Contact Information	
Student Name:	Student Email:	Class Year:
Parent Name:	Parent Email:	Telephone:
Permanent Address:		

Unusual circumstances are conditions that support a change to a student's dependency status based on a unique situation. Examples of unusual circumstances include, but are not limited to:

- Abuse (physical or mental) from family environment
- Abandonment
- Parents cannot be located/no contact with any parent
- Human trafficking
- Refugee/asylee status
- Parental abandonment, estrangement, or parental incarceration
- Other reason

Please note that unusual circumstances do not include:

- Parents refusal to contribute to a student's education
- Parents refusal to provide information for the FAFSA or verification
- Parents do not claim the student for income tax purposes, or that the student demonstrates total self-sufficiency

If you believe that you meet the criteria above, please complete this form and return it to the VMI Financial Aid Office:

VMI Financial Aid Office 307B Letcher Ave Lexington, VA 24450 <u>financialaid@vmi.edu</u> 540-464-7629 (f)

Upload documents securely at: www.vmi.edu/financialaid/upload



Please describe the unusual circumstances that you have:		
By sign	ning below, I	
1.	Affirm that the information contained on this form is true and accuate.	
2.	Acknowledge that submission of an appeal does not guarantee that a dependency override will be granted.	
3.	Recognize that submission of an appeal does not prevent the accrual of late fees on upaid balances.	
4.	Understand that if any of this information changes, I will immediately notify the Financial Aid Office.	
Studen	t Signature: Date:	

Please note: once we conduct a preliminary review, our office may request additional information and/or documentation.