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Question about the collection of personal information:

- email the Alberta Student Aid Protection of Privacy Office at: ae.abstudentaidpopa@gov.ab.ca; or,
- send mail to the Alberta Student Aid Privacy Office at PO Box 28000 Stn Main, Edmonton AB T5J 4J4.

Section 1: Student Information (to be completed by student)

Last Name:		First Name:	
Birth Date:		Social Insurance Number:	Alberta Student Number:

Section 2: Definition of Disability

Alberta Student Aid will use this Disability Verification Form as one of the criteria to determine a student's eligibility to receive federal or provincial disability grant funding. Please ensure that the **information thoroughly represents this student's disability(ies) and details of the functional limitations that will affect the student's ability to meet the regular and typical demands of a post-secondary environment.** Where applicable, indicate if the student's disability necessitates a reduced course load (40 to 59%).

Permanent Disability

means any impairment, including a physical, mental, intellectual, cognitive, learning, communication or sensory impairment, or a functional limitation that restricts the ability of a person to perform the daily activities necessary to pursue studies at a post-secondary level or to participate in the labour force and that is expected to remain with the person for their lifetime.

Persistent or Prolonged Disability

means any impairment, including a physical, mental, intellectual, cognitive, learning, communication or sensory impairment, or a functional limitation that restricts the ability of a person to perform the daily activities necessary to pursue studies at a post-secondary level or to participate in the labour force and has lasted, or is expected to last, for a period of at least 12 months but is not expected to remain with the person for their lifetime.

Section 3: Submitting Learning Disability Assessment and Medical/Disability Assessment and Documentation for Fee Reimbursement

Learning Disability: You do not need to complete the rest of this form, instead attach a copy of a psycho-educational assessment that meets **ALL** of the following criteria:

- Assessment is less than 5 years old or was completed when applicant was 18 years or older.
- All pages of the assessment are required. The assessment must include official letterhead, the assessment date(s), assessor's name and signature, title, professional credentials, registration number, address, and contact information (phone/fax/email).
- Assessment clearly states a diagnosis of a Learning Disability meeting the DSM.
- If you are seeking an Assessment Fee reimbursement, please see below.

Medical/Disability Assessment and Documentation Fee Reimbursement: *Attach a copy of a receipt along with your medical assessment (this can include this Disability Verification form) that meets all of the following criteria:*

- All pages of the assessment/documentation are required. The assessment/documentation must include the assessment/documentation date(s), the medical professional's name and signature, title, registration number, address, and contact information (phone/fax/email).
- Students must pay for the assessment/documentation upfront, and are eligible for reimbursement once an eligible disability is confirmed. Include a receipt for the assessment showing it has been paid for in full.
- Only assessments/documentation used during disability verification are eligible, and are not reimbursable retroactively outside of six months prior to your study period start date.
- Assessment costs covered by third-party insurance or other sources are not included in the reimbursement, which would only recover remaining outstanding costs. The reimbursement will cover only what the student pays.

Section 4: Nature of Disability (check and complete all that apply) (must be completed by the Medical Assessor)		
Mobility/Agility Impairment: <i>To be completed by a physician or medical specialist. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
Diagnosis:	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability
Hearing Impairment: <i>To be completed by an Audiologist or physician and include the degree of hearing loss. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
Mild	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability
Moderate		
Severe	Uses aided hearing	
Profound	Would benefit from amplification devices in an educational setting	
Visual Impairment: <i>To be completed by an Optometrist or Ophthalmologist or physician and include the degree of vision loss. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
Degree of Visual Loss:	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability
Brain Injury/Cognitive Impairment: <i>Include details about the diagnosis with supporting reports - Neuro-psychological Assessment and/or Brain Injury/Cognitive Impairment Report/Assessment. To be completed by a physician or neuro-psychologist. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
Diagnosis/Details:	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability
ADD/ADHD: <i>To be completed by physician, Registered Psychologist, or psychiatrist. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability
Psychiatric/Psychological (include the DSM): <i>To be completed by physician, Registered psychologist or psychiatrist. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
DSM Diagnosis:	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability
Speech: <i>To be completed by physician or speech language pathologist. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
Diagnosis:	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability
Pervasive Development Disorder (ex. Autism): <i>To be completed by physician, Registered psychologist or psychiatrist. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability
Other/Chronic Illness: <i>Be specific. To be completed by the appropriate medical professional. Choose only one disability status</i> (see Page 1 of this form).		
Diagnosis:	Permanent Disability	Persistent or Prolonged Disability

Section 5: Functional Limitations (must be completed by the Medical Assessor)

Mobility and Movement Impacts: As it relates to an educational setting.

Check all that apply.

Standing	Handwriting	Keyboarding
Sitting	Lifting/Carrying/Reaching	Stair Climbing
Fatigue	Grasping/Gripping/Dexterity	Ambulation (cane, wheelchair, walker, etc.)
Other - Be specific:		

Describe the frequency, level of severity, and impacts on the student in an educational setting:

Cognitive and/or Behavioural Impacts: As it relates to an educational setting.

Check all that apply.

Attention and Concentration	Communication	Information Processing (verbal and written)
Memory	Social Interactions	Organization and Time Management
Other - Be specific:		

Describe the frequency, level of severity, and impacts on the student in an educational setting:

Medication:

Is the student taking any prescriptive medication? Yes No

If yes, indicate any side effects that may affect participation in an educational environment:

Section 6: Suggested Accommodations or Supports for Post-Secondary Studies:

(must be completed by the Medical Assessor)

Based on the student's **disability related functional limitations**, which accommodations or supports do you recommend that will facilitate their participation in post-secondary studies?

Check all that apply:

Reduced Course Load (40 to 59% of a full-time course load)

Services - Be specific: *(ex: tutoring, note-taking, alternate formats, academic strategist, sign-language interpreting)*

Equipment/Assistive Technology – Be specific: *(ex: computer/laptop, digital recorder, specialized software, noise canceling headphones, low glare monitor)*

Section 7: Medical Assessor Authorization

(must be completed by the Medical Assessor)

Name of Qualified Medical Assessor (required):

Registration Certificate No (required):

Specialty (required):

Medical Office Stamp and/or Medical
Office Address (required):

Signature (required):

Date Signed (YYYY-MM-DD) (required):

Telephone No (required):