

**Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed at the Institution)**

The student must appear in person at Southern Illinois University 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. Military identification cards cannot be accepted. The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student's ID.

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

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing this
(Print Student Name)

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 Southern Illinois University Carbondale for 2025-2026.

(Student Signature)

(Date)

(Student ID Number)

(Viewed by FAO Staff)