



The Statement of Degree form must be completed if you selected one or more of the following on the FAFSA:

- First bachelor’s degree by July 1, 2019
- Grade level of 1<sup>st</sup> year graduate/professional OR Continuing graduate/professional or beyond
- Degree/Certificate other than Associate Degree or Certificate
- Student Status Question: At the beginning of the 2019-20 school year, will you be working on a master’s or doctorate program (such as MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD or graduate certificate, etc.)?

Students who have already earned a bachelor’s degree from a US institution or the equivalent degree at a foreign institution are eligible for different financial aid programs than those who have not yet completed their first bachelor’s degree. Your eligibility for financial aid at NECC is determined by your degree status.

**DIRECTIONS: CHOOSE THE CATEGORY (A or B) that best describes your situation, check the statements that apply, and take the action required. Your signature below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct. Warning: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail or both.**

**CATEGORY A: You have or will have a bachelor’s degree or its foreign equivalent by July 1, 2019.**

- I **have** completed a Bachelor’s Degree, baccalaureate and/or advanced degree in the United States.
- I **have** completed a Bachelor’s Degree, baccalaureate and/or advanced degree in a foreign country.

**CATEGORY B: You have not completed your first bachelor’s degree or its foreign equivalent by July 1, 2019 OR your coursework taken at a foreign institution is not equivalent to U.S. Bachelor’s Degree.**

- I certify that I **have not** completed a bachelor’s degree program or any other advanced degree in the United States nor will I have completed one by July 1, 2019 and I have not been granted a degree from any foreign institution.

Login to your 2019-2020 FAFSA at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to review your answers and make corrections to the following questions. Please provide date that you made these corrections (MM/DD/YY) \_\_\_\_\_:

- 28. First Bachelor’s Degree – answer no if you do not have a bachelor’s degree
- 29. Grade level during the 2019-2020 school year should be 1<sup>st</sup> year or 2<sup>nd</sup> year/sophomore
- 30. Degree or certificate should not indicate that you are in a graduate/professional degree program
- 48. Answer ‘No’ to question regarding master’s degree or doctorate program

- My foreign coursework or degree **is not equivalent** to a United States bachelor’s degree.

Your foreign degree must be evaluated by an outside organization who will determine if your coursework is equivalent to a US bachelor’s degree before your eligibility for financial aid can be finalized. Please contact Student Financial Services.

**ALL STUDENTS: SIGN & RETURN THE FORM TO FINANCIAL AID**

STUDENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT NAME (PRINTED) \_\_\_\_\_ NECC ID \_\_\_\_\_