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2009-2010 ALTERNATIVE LOAN CERTIFICATION FORM

Students that have applied for a private Alternative Education Loan through a lending/banking institution should carefully consider their options before making a decision to borrow money for their educational expenses. Financial Aid & Scholarships *strongly* recommends that you complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> prior to borrowing a student loan from a bank or other lending institution. Completing a FAFSA will allow Financial Aid & Scholarships to determine your eligibility for free grant monies and low interest loans. Should you decide to continue with an Alternative Education Loan, be sure to compare your interest rate, fees, repayment options, and deferment/forbearance options to the low cost Direct Stafford Loans offered through UNLV.

Check **ONLY** the statement that is true for 2009-10. **You must check ONE statement.** If you have questions about which statement should be checked, please contact our office.

- I **HAVE FILED** or **WILL FILE** the 2009-10 FAFSA and have listed UNLV as a recipient institution. I **DO NOT** want my alternative loan application certified until my FAFSA application has been processed, and after I have activated any other financial aid I may be eligible for online. I understand that my Alternative Loan can only be certified up to the Cost of Attendance minus any other financial aid I may be receiving, regardless of the amount the bank/lender has approved me for.
- I want my alternative loan to be certified promptly while I continue the process to be considered for other Financial Aid. I understand that if my Alternative loan is certified up to the Cost of Attendance, I may need to cancel or reduce the loan in order to be eligible for the Federal / State / Institutional financial aid I may be awarded. I will notify Financial Aid & Scholarships if I should choose to reduce or cancel the Alternative loan.
- I **WILL NOT** file the 2009-10 FAFSA. I do not want to be considered for financial aid other than the alternative loan.

Student Name _____ UNLV L# _____

Date of Birth _____ Expected Date of Graduation _____

Expected Housing Status for 2009-10 On Campus Off Campus With Parent / Relative

FALL 2009 _____ **SPRING 2010** _____ **SUMMER 2010** _____

Expected number of credits you intend to enroll in for the academic year. *IMPORTANT* This can affect the amount of your eligibility

Please check any of the following that apply (if you will be completing the FAFSA):

- I am working on a master's or doctorate program for 2009-10.
- I have children or have dependents other than children who receive more than half their support from me.
- I am, or was, an emancipated minor as determined by a court.
- I am, or was, in legal guardianship as determined by a court.
- As of today, I am married.
- At any time since the age of 13, I am, or have been, an orphan or ward of the court, or I was in foster care.
- I am a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces.
- I am currently on active duty with a branch of the U.S. Armed Forces.
- Since July 1, 2008, I was deemed an unaccompanied youth who was homeless by my school district liaison, or I was in an emergency shelter, transitional housing program, homeless youth center or I was self-supporting and at risk of being homeless.

I have read and understand the statements on this form. I understand my financial aid application options.

STUDENT NAME (printed)

UNLV L#

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE