

SPOUSE/Common-LAW PARTNER INFORMATION

PURPOSE The information on this Appendix 2 determines how much your spouse/common-law partner may be required to contribute to help pay for your education.

WHO COMPLETES APPENDIX 2?

The applicant's spouse/common-law partner. If your spouse/common-law partner has arrived in Canada as a permanent resident and does not have a valid Social Insurance Number (SIN), apply as "married" and leave the SIN field blank. When your spouse/common-law partner has received a valid SIN, you must submit an Appendix 7 – Request for Reassessment with a copy of their SIN to StudentAid BC.

DO NOT COMPLETE THE APPENDIX 2 IF, AS OF THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES:

- Your spouse/common-law partner is not a Canadian citizen or permanent resident AND does not live in Canada. Apply as "single";
- You have eligible dependent child(ren) under your care, living in Canada, AND your spouse/common-law partner is not a Canadian citizen or permanent resident (does not have a valid Social Insurance Number) and does not live in Canada. Apply as a single parent student.

ARE YOU COMMON-LAW?

You and your partner are considered to be common-law if you meet both of the following:

- you are currently living together in a marriage-like relationship; and
- you will have been living together for at least 12 consecutive months as of your first day of classes for this application.

DECLARATION AND CONSENT

Read, sign and date both the Canada Revenue Agency consent and the StudentAid BC declaration. Without the complete information including dates and signatures, we cannot process the student's application. Once you have completed Appendix 2, return it to the applicant to submit with his/her application. No faxes, scans or copies are accepted as original signatures are required.

**HELP FOR THE SPOUSE/
COMMON-LAW PARTNER****Question 18 Marriage/Common-law Date**

This is the date you were married or, if common-law, the date you began living together in a marriage like relationship.

Question 21 Separate Living Allowances

If you must live separately from the applicant during the study period, separate living allowances will be assessed.

Question 30 Total Income from 2021 Income Tax Return

Enter the amount from line 15000 of your 2021 income tax return. The amount you report will be checked against Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) records. If the amount you report is different from CRA records, CRA data will be used in the applicant's need assessment calculation and/or grant eligibility. If your previous year total income (as reported on line 15000 of your 2021 tax return) changes, a reassessment of the applicant's financial assistance application will be required. If you did not file a Canadian Income Tax Return for 2021, enter your total 2021 income from all sources both inside and outside Canada, which includes employment, pension investment, rental, RRSP, foster parent, net professional income, workers' compensation, employment insurance and disability assistance. Convert foreign currency into Canadian dollars. StudentAid BC receives regularly updated information from CRA and may, after the point of initial StudentAid BC application assessment, compare income amount(s) declared on the application against CRA records, to ensure that the applicant's financial need and/or grant eligibility remains up-to-date and accurate.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Upload signed Appendix 2 to the student's OR spouse's/common-law partner's dashboard. If an original ink signature is required, please mail the complete form to StudentAid BC. An incomplete or unsigned Appendix 2 will not be processed and will delay funding. Sign BOTH signature blocks.

If you have already submitted your StudentAid BC application, and you are completing an Appendix 2 to make changes to your original submission, include an Appendix 7 - Request for Reassessment, with your submission.

