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**FAFSA Sections**

**Student Demographics:**

		UG	PharmD P1 Year 3 + 4 Program students	PharmD P2-P4 Years	MDiv or MAT 1st Yr 3 + 2 Program students	MDiv or MAT 2nd Yr	Other Masters 1st Yr Bachelors completed before beginning Masters	Other Masters 2nd Yr
What college degree or certificate will you be working on when you begin the YYYY-ZZZZ school year?		1st Bach or 2nd Bach	ONLY when beginning the actual Prof'l Program		Only when beginning the actual Mdiv Program		Only when beginning the actual Masters Program	
Will you have your first bachelor's degree before you begin the YYYY-ZZZZ school year?	Officially conferred (no simply 'walked in the graduation ceremony)	No or Yes (do you have your 1st bach)	Graduate/Prof'l Degree	Graduate/Prof'l Degree	Graduate/Prof'l Degree	Graduate/Prof'l Degree	Graduate/Prof'l Degree	Graduate/Prof'l Degree
What will your college grade level be when you begin the YYYY-ZZZZ school year?		Whatever is your grade level	1st year graduate/prof'l	Continuing graduate/prof'l	1st year graduate/prof'l	Continuing graduate/prof'l	1st year graduate/prof'l	Continuing graduate/prof'l

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**Dependency Status:**

At the beginning of the YYYY-ZZZZ school year will you be working on a master's or doctorate program (such as an MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, graduate certificate, etc.)?	UG		PharmD P1 Year	PharmD P2-P4 Years	MDiv or MAT 1st Yr	MDiv or MAT 2nd Yr	Other Masters 1st Yr	Other Masters 2nd Yr
			3 + 4 Program students		3 + 2 Program students		Bachelors completed <u>before</u> beginning Masters	
			ONLY when beginning the actual Prof'l Program		Only when beginning the actual Mdiv Program		Only when beginning the actual Masters Program	
	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

How you answer the 'Dependency Status' questions will determine your FAFSA Status:

Either **DEPENDENT** or **INDEPENDENT**

There are 13 separate 'Dependency Status' questions -- this is only dealing with the specific 'UG' vs. 'Graduate Student' question.

**If your application data concludes that you are:**

**DEPENDENT**

You need to work with your parent(s) to provide both your student financials and your parent's financials as part of your FAFSA application.

**INDEPENDENT**

You need to provide only your student financials (and also your spouse's financials if you indicate that you are married) as part of your FAFSA application.