How to provide documentation of your citizenship to the Office of Financial Aid

If your citizenship status was not confirmed by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) of the Department of Homeland Security and/or Social Security Administration when you completed your FAFSA, you will need to bring documentation of your citizenship status in person to the Office of Financial Aid at DePaul Central.

You need to bring an original (not a photocopy) of one of the documents listed below:

- Your signed Certificate of Naturalization; or
- Your signed Certificate of Citizenship; or
- Your U.S. Certificate of Birth Abroad; or
- Your signed U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card; or
- Your Permanent Resident Card (I-551) from the USCIS; or
- Your Conditional Permanent Resident with a Conditional Green Card (I-551C); or
- Your Resident Alien Card (I-551); or
- Your Alien Registration Receipt Card (I-151); or
- United States Travel Document; or
- Your Arrival-Departure Record (I-94) from the Department of Homeland Security showing any of the following designations: Refugee, Asylum Granted, Parolee, (I-94 confirms that you were paroled for a minimum of one year and status has not expired), T-Visa holder (T-1, T-2, T-3, etc.) or Cuban-Haitian Entrant; or
- Your valid certification or eligibility letter from the Department of Health and Human Services showing a designation of “Victim of human trafficking.”
- Machine Readable Immigrant Visa (MRIV) with Permanent Resident endorsement.

Citizenship documents cannot be submitted via fax, mail, email, or by drop box. You will need to present your original document in person to DePaul Central. When you bring your original document to DePaul Central, we will make a copy for your financial aid file. The original document will be immediately returned to you. Your information will then be reviewed by our financial aid processing team; if any additional information is needed, we will contact you immediately.

Any photocopies of citizenship documents submitted via fax, mail, email, or drop box are not acceptable documentation, and will be destroyed for your protection.