



Verification of Identity  
2026-2027 Academic Year

To fulfill this requirement, you must submit a signed and dated original copy of this document  
FOLLOWING THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

☐ **In person:**  
The student must appear in person at Gogebic Community College, Ironwood, or the Copper Country Center (Main Office), Houghton to verify his or her identity by presenting an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. **The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID** that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID.  
In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the Statement of Educational Purpose provided below. (Section B)

☐ **By mail:**  
If the student is unable to appear in person at Gogebic Community College, Ironwood, or the Copper Country Center (Main Office), Houghton to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:  
(a) A copy of the unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, or that is presented to a notary, such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport; and  
(b) The original Statement of Educational Purpose provided below, which must be notarized. If the notary statement appears on a separate page than the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be a clear indication that the Statement of Educational Purpose was the document notarized. (Section C)

**A. Student's Information**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **G C C Student ID:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student Ph#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Statement of Educational Purpose**

I certify that I \_\_\_\_\_ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the  
(Print Student's Name)  
Federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Gogebic Community College for 2026-2027.

**Student Signature** **Student ID Number (From Photo ID Provided)** **Date**

**C. Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgment (if submitted by mail)**

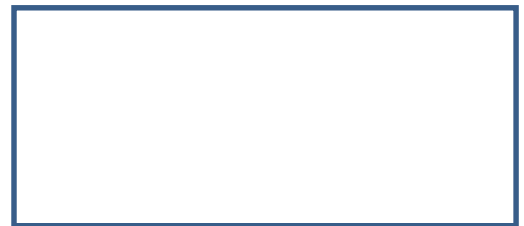
State of \_\_\_\_\_ City/County of \_\_\_\_\_ On \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Date) (Notary's name)  
personally appeared, \_\_\_\_\_ and provided to me because of satisfactory evidence of identification  
(Printed name of signer)

(Type of unexpired government-issued photo ID provided)

to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

**Witness my hand and official seal** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Signature)

My commission expires on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)



**D. School Certification (if submitted in person)**

**Name of School Official** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature of School Official** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Type of Government-Issued Photo ID Provided** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

School official must make a copy of photo ID provided by student, date and provide name on copy of photo ID.