



2024-2025 Special Circumstances Appeal

Student UCM ID

Student Full Name First Name Last Name M.I.

Special Circumstances Appeals may be submitted after 2024-2025 financial aid has been awarded. Submitting an appeal does not guarantee that financial aid awards will change. Awards may remain the same, be increased, or reduced. Students submitting a Special Circumstances Appeal may be selected for verification, which must be completed even if you decide not to proceed with the appeal. All communications, including notifications about any additional required documentation and final appeal decisions, will be sent to your UC Merced e-mail address.

Section A: Special Circumstance

Select your special circumstance below. Documentation listed as required (*) must be submitted along with this form.

ALL REQUESTS MUST INCLUDE: *A signed statement explaining Special Circumstances *Signed 2022 and 2023 IRS Federal Tax Returns (Including any Schedules 1, 2, or 3)

Table with 4 columns: Special Circumstance, For a Dependent Student, For an Independent Student, Required Documents (Print UCM ID# on all documents). Rows include Change in employment/income, One-Time Payment Received, Separation or Divorce/Death of parent or spouse, and Uncommon Expenses.

Section B: Student & Parent/Spouse Certification

All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to provide further documentation to substantiate the information provided if requested. I understand that all requests are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and my request may not result in an actual change in financial aid.

Student Signature Date Parent/Spouse Signature Date

Parent Signature for Dependent Students Only-Spouse Signature For Independent Students Only (if applicable) We cannot accept typed signatures. Please sign this form with drawn signatures.