

Buffalo State University

Banner ID: _____ Name: _____

Affirmation of Identity Theft

2025-2026 Verification

Tax filers that are the victim of identity theft are not permitted to obtain a copy of their IRS Tax Return Transcript required for federal student aid verification. Instead, these tax filers must provide the school with an alternate transcript called the Transcript Database View (TRDBV) and self-certification that they are the victim of identity theft.

Instructions

- Call the IRS's Identity Protection Specialized Unit (IPSU) toll-free at 1-800-908-4490. Filers who believe they are victims of identity theft do not need to be referred to the IPSU; they may call the number directly or go to the ID theft website on [irs.gov](https://www.irs.gov).
- After IPSU authenticates the tax filer's identity, the tax filer requests that their 2023 Transcript Database View (TRDBV) is mailed to them.
- Submit to the Financial Aid Office a copy of the TRDBV and this signed self-certification form.

Certification

- I, (print tax filer's name) _____, am the victim of IRS tax-related identity theft.
- I have made the IRS aware of the tax-related identity theft.

Victim of Identity Theft's Signature: _____

Date: _____