

Postsecondary Data Partnership Financial Aid A/R File Data Dictionary

Variable	Name	Definition	Possible Values/Field Format
First Name	First Name	Student's first name in the submission file	
Middle Name	Middle Name	Student's middle name or first initial of middle name in the submission file	
Last Name	Last Name	Student's last name in the submission file	
SSN	Social Security Number	SSN in the submission file	
Date of Birth	Date of Birth	Date student was born in the submission file.	Dates in format YYYYMMDD
Student ID	Student ID	Institutionally supplied student ID number in the submission file.	
Institution ID	Institution ID	OPEID	6 digit OPEID
Cohort	Cohort	<p>All undergraduate students who attempted at least one course in a given term, for the first time at the cohort institution. Students may be first-time ever in college or new transfer students at the cohort institution and may be enrolled at any program level, including credential-seeking; college remedial, developmental, or college-preparatory; adult basic skills (ESL, ABE, or ASE/GED); and non-credit vocational students. For non-credit vocational students, cohort only includes those who enrolled in courses that could lead to an occupational certificate, industry certificate, or other type of credential of economic value, as well as those students who are simultaneously enrolled in credit-bearing courses.</p> <p>Also includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past dual enrollment students who took a course or courses at the cohort institution while simultaneously attending high school. 	Dates in format YYYY-YY. For example: 2016-17

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall entry students who enrolled in summer work prior to first term of enrollment with credential-seeking status. Examples of summer work include, but are not limited to, summer bridge programs or developmental/remedial coursework. <p>Excludes students who are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-credit vocational students enrolled in purely personal enrichment courses; • Current dual enrollment students or those taking a course or courses at the cohort institution while simultaneously attending high school. 	
Cohort Term	Cohort Term	Term as defined by your institution's term grid that a student in the cohort first enrolled in at least one course.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7
Student Age	Student Age	<p>A student's age is calculated as: Term Start Date of the institution term listed for the designated fall term in the cohort year minus Date of Birth divided by 365.25.</p> <p>Once rounded to the nearest whole number, ages are grouped into 3 categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 and younger • >20-24 • Older than 24 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 and younger • >20-24 • Older than 24
Academic Year	Academic Year	The Academic Year for an Institution is derived from the Institution term list for that institution.	Dates in format YYYY- YY. For Example: 2016-17

<p>Dependency Status</p>	<p>Dependency Status</p>	<p>Student's dependency status at the time of FAFSA application, or first term of enrollment for the academic year if FAFSA data is not available.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D = Dependent • I = Independent • X = Rejected Dependent • Y = Rejected Independent • If blank or any other value code as UK
<p>Housing Status</p>	<p>Housing Status</p>	<p>Type of housing student stayed in during academic year.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 = Off-campus (not with family) = A living arrangement in which a student does not live with the student's parents or legal guardians in any housing facility that is not owned or controlled by the educational institution. • 2 = Off-campus (with family) = A living arrangement in which a student lives with the student's parents or legal guardians in any housing facility that is not owned or controlled by the educational institution. • 3 = Off-campus = Only use this option if ISIR for student is not available and detail of Off-Campus living (with or without family) is unknown. • 4 = On-campus housing = Any residence hall or housing facility owned or controlled

			<p>by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in direct support of or in a manner related to, the institution's educational purposes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any other value or if blank recode to UK
Cost of Attendance	Cost of Attendance	<p>The Cost of Attendance is a calculated field.</p> <p>Cost of Attendance = Tuition + Room Charges + Board Charges + Books + Other Expense</p>	Continuous with a minimum value of 0
EFC	Expected Family Contribution	<p>EFC is an index number that college financial aid staff use to determine how much financial aid you would receive if you were to attend their school. The information you report on your FAFSA form is used to calculate your EFC.</p> <p>EFC Passes through from data intake file.</p>	Continuous with a minimum value of 0
Total Institutional Grants	Total Institutional Grants	<p>Total Institutional Grants is a calculated Field.</p> <p>Total Institutional Grants = Institution Grant Need Based + Institution Grant Employer Aid + Institution Grant Merit + Institution Grant Military or Veteran + Other Institution Grant (Non Need Based)</p>	Continuous with a minimum value of 0
Total State Grants	Total State Grants	<p>Total State Grants is a calculated field:</p> <p>Total State Grants = State Grant Need Based + State Grant Non Need Based</p>	Continuous with a minimum value of 0

Total Federal Grants	Total Federal Grants	<p>Total State Grants is a calculated field.</p> <p>Total Federal Grants = SEOG + TEACH + Veteran and Military + Other Federal Grant + Pell Amount</p> <p>*SEOG: Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant</p> <p>*TEACH: Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education</p>	Continuous with a minimum value of 0
Unmet Need	Unmet Need	<p>Unmet Need is a calculated field.</p> <p>Unmet need = Cost of Attendance – EFC - Total Institutional Grants – Total State Grants - Total Federal Grants</p>	Continuous with a minimum value of 0
Net Price	Net Price	<p>Net Price is a calculated field.</p> <p>Net Price = Cost of Attendance - Total Institutional Grants - Total State Grants - Total Federal Grants</p>	Continuous with a minimum value of 0