

## **Fraud Policy**

### **Office of Student Financial Services**

Pursuant to Federal Regulations [34 CFR 668.416 (g)], institutions are required to report to the Department of Education's Office of Inspector General (OIG) any credible information indicating that an applicant may have engaged in fraud or other criminal misconduct in connection with his or her federal student aid application.

Common misconduct, as it relates to financial aid, may include false claims of independent student status, false claims of citizenship, use of fictitious identities, signature forgeries of certifications and false statements of income.

If the institution suspects that a student, employee or third-party servicer intends to or engages in such fraudulent activities, the matter will be immediately reported to the OIG.

**Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Disclosure:**

If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined up to \$20,000, sent to prison or both.