COLLEGE OF THE ATLANTIC 105 Eden Street Bar Harbor, ME 04609

2015-2016 APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL AID

Instructions

- In order to be considered for both federal and institutional aid at College of the Atlantic you must complete this form AND the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA www.fafsa.gov).
- Priority filing deadline is November 15, 2015 for Winter Admission and February15, 2016 for Spring Admission.
- **If a question does not apply, put "N/A" or "0" in the answer space. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK ANSWERS**.
- Return this application as well as copies of 2014 federal income tax returns to the Financial Aid Office by mail or fax (207.288.4126).

Additional Information and Supplemental Forms

- If your parents are divorced or separated, the parent you live with completes the "Parents" sections of this form (**this must include a step-parent's information in the case of a remarriage**).
- The noncustodial parent must complete the ***COA Noncustodial Parent Declaration of Finances*** form, which can be downloaded at http://www.coa.edu/coa-forms.htm if needed, and submit a copy of their 2014 federal tax return.

Name and Address of Applicant (please print)

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First MI Last

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Street or P.O. City State Zip

Phone (_____)_____ email _____

Date of Birth _____/_____/_____ Social Security #_____/_____/_____
Month Day Year

Please check one of the following: New applicant_____ Transfer applicant_____ Returning student_____

For which term are you applying? Fall 2015_____ Winter 2016_____ Spring 2016_____

1. Parents' Information: If your parents are divorced, separated or unmarried, the parent who you live with completes the "Parents" sections of this form; this must include a step-parent's information in the case of a remarriage.

(Circle one) Stepfather's//Father's name _____ Age_____

(Circle one) Stepmother's//Mother's name _____ Age_____

Street address_____

City, State, Zip_____

Father's Occupation/Title_____Employer_____

Mother's Occupation/Title_____Employer_____

2. a) Student's natural or adoptive parents are:

[ ] Married [ ] Separated [ ] Divorced Date of divorce or separation _____
[ ] Never Married [ ] Widowed

b. Name of person who claimed student as a dependent on most recent U.S. income tax return_____

3. If student's natural or adoptive parents are divorced, separated or unmarried, please provide the following information:

Year of separation _____ Year of divorce_____

Other parent's name:_____

Address:_____

Street or PO Box City State Zip

Phone:(_____)_____

Occupation:_____

4. Household Information

- List ALL family members who are included in parents' household **that will receive more than half their support from your parents** between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016.
- Include YOURSELF
- Include your PARENT(s)

List all household members. (List student applicant first; include custodial parent[s]).	Age	Name of College 2015-2016; **enter COA for yourself**	Year in college	Check appropriate Box		
				full-time	half-time or more	less than half-time

5. Do parents own home? Yes_____ No_____ If yes, please indicate:

Year purchased_____ Purchase Price $_____

What is it worth now? $_____ How much is owed on it? $_____

Parents' monthly home mortgage or rental payment $_____

6. Untaxed Income

Please Note: On the FAFSA, there are questions about untaxed income. This category of "Other Untaxed Income" seems to be an area where many families make errors in the financial aid application process. The following questions ask you to list common sources of untaxed income. Please refer to 2014 income information and the FAFSA.

If you did not receive income write "0". **DO NOT LEAVE BLANK ANSWERS.**

Enter ANNUAL amounts!

	Students	**Parents**
Payments to tax-deferred pension plans such as 401(K) or 403(B)	$	$
Deductible IRA/Keogh Payments	$	$
Housing or living allowances paid to military, clergy, and others including cash payments and cash value of benefits	$	$
Child support received	$	$

7. Student applicant information

Does student own car? Yes [ ] No [ ] If yes, please complete the information below:

Year/Make/Model of Automobile	Purchase Price	Date of Purchase	Current Value
	$		$

Are you the beneficiary of any trust(s)? Yes* [ ]***Send copy of most recent 1041** No [ ]

Established by_____When?_____Type of trust_____Total value:$_____

Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes_____ No_____If no, what is your country of citizenship?_____

Your Visa Status?_____Your alien registration number?_____

8. Please list any expected financial assistance from other sources (faculty/staff tuition grants, outside scholarships). List type of aid and amounts below. Include **ANY** and **ALL** scholarships that you have applied for *or plan to apply for* even if you have not received a response yet. You are legally responsible for reporting all outside scholarships to your school whether listed here or not. To maximize your benefits, report final scholarship information to COA by July 1 (please provide copy of award letter/check). Include any anticipated VA benefits.

1) **4)**

2) **5)**

3) **6)**

9. Comments

Please use this space and any additional pages, if necessary, for comments you may wish to add.

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

I/we understand that information provided on this and other documents may be shared with the applicant, with other schools and agencies from which we are requesting aid, and with colleges in which other family members are enrolled; biographical data may be shared with donors if aid is offered and accepted.

I/we certify that all information presented here is correct at this time, and that we will update of any changes in family income or assets, in family situation, in the college plans of other family members, or of the receipt of other scholarships or grants as soon as known.

Signature of Parent(s) or guardian(s) _____Date_____

_____Date_____

Signature of student applicant _____Date_____

FINAL CHECK

- Did you list yourself and your parent(s) in Part 4, Household Information?
- Did you leave any blank answers? If so, please fill them in as requested. Use "N/A" or "0" if necessary.
- Remember to follow up and provide final information about all outside scholarships to COA by July 1.
- Be sure to provide copies of 2014 taxes.