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Question:

How should a student (or the parents of a dependent student) who is a resident of Puerto Rico, other U.S. territories or foreign countries and who does not file a U.S. tax return complete the AFSA ?

Answer:

Under the regulations for the Pell Grant Family Contribution Schedules effective through the 1987-88 award year, the Secretary defined "Federal income tax" to include tax on income paid to Puerto Rico, other U.S. territories, and the central governments of foreign countries (34 CFR 690.32).

However, the Higher Education Amendments of 1986 changed the manner in which these applicants, including Puerto Ricans, should file the application. The law no longer provides for these applicants to be considered as tax filers if they filed a return with the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, a territorial government, or a foreign central government. They have not filed a U.S. tax return and paid Federal income taxes and, therefore, they must complete the form as though they did not file an income tax return. Therefore, the AFSA must be completed in the following manner for these applicants:

Step 5

Question 5-1 - Check "a tax return will not be filed."

Questions 5-2, 5-3, 5-4, and 5-5 - Leave blank.

Questions 5-6 and 5-7 - Enter 1987 income earned from work by the student, spouse, father and mother.

Question 5-8D - Enter any other 1987 income not earned from work not collected in 5-8A, 5-8B, and 5-8C. This income includes income that was taxable income under the tax return filed with a territorial government or foreign central government but was not earned from work.

Worksheets 6A and 6B

Question 1 - Check "no."

Step 9

Questions 9-2 and 9-3 - Enter expected 1988 income earned from work by the student, spouse, father and mother.

Question 9-4 - Enter "0."

Question 9-5 - Enter any other expected 1988 income not earned from work.