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**Butler Student  
ID Number:**

Student Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_ Example: @00111111 or Z00011111

## 2009-2010 Affidavit of Common-Law Marriage

State of Kansas

County of \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's Full Name – Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_ Address City State Zip

**being of lawful age, state the following:**

I am claiming a common-law marriage to:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Full Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Butler Student ID# if a student)

\_\_\_\_\_ Address City State Zip

I understand the necessary requirements for common-law marriage are:

- 1) The parties must have capacity to marry. This includes the ability to understand, no existing marriage, and sufficient age. A present agreement to be married to each other must exist. This is an explicit intent to be married at the present, and not at some time in the future.
- 2) A holding out as husband and wife to the public is required. Persuasive evidence of common-law marriage shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a) joint deed of property
  - b) documents naming the other as a spouse
  - c) other such similar items

I understand these requirements, and state that I and the above named person that I am claiming as my spouse have met these requirements, forming a common-law marriage. **I further understand it will be necessary to obtain a divorce decree in the event either of us wishes to marry another person.**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Student Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (Spouse Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ Date We Became Common Law

This document requires that you file your taxes jointly or use a married status on your taxes.

**You must attach copies of at least two (2) of the documents mentioned above and submit to the Office of Student Financial Aid.**