



**Tuition Fee for Nonresident Students**

If you have not been living in California with intent to make it your permanent home for more than one year immediately before the residence determination date for each term in which you propose to attend the University, you must pay a nonresident tuition fee in addition to all other fees. The residence determination date is the day instruction begins at the last of the University of California campuses to open for the quarter, and for schools on the semester system, the day instruction begins for the semester.

**Law Governing Residence**

The rules regarding residence for tuition purposes at the University of California are governed by the California Education Code and implemented by Standing Orders of the Regents of the University of California. Under these rules, adult citizens and certain classes of aliens can establish residence for tuition purposes. There are particular rules that apply to the residence classification of minors (see below).

**Who is a California Resident?**

If you are an adult student (18 years of age or older) you may establish residence for tuition purposes in California if: (1) you are a U.S. citizen, (2) you are a permanent resident or other immigrant; or (3) you are a nonimmigrant who is not precluded from establishing a domicile in the U.S. Nonimmigrants who are not precluded from establishing domicile in the U.S. include those who hold valid visas of the following types: A, E, G, H-1, H-4, I, K, L, N, NATO, O-1, O-3, R, or V. To establish residence you must be physically present in California for more than one year and you must have come here with the intent to make California your home as opposed to coming to this state to go to school. Physical presence within the state solely for educational purposes does not constitute the establishment of California residence, regardless of the length of your stay. You must demonstrate your intention to make California your home by severing your residential ties with your former state of residence and establishing those ties with California. Evidence of intent must be dated one year before the term for which you seek resident classification. If these steps are delayed, the one year durational period will be extended until you have demonstrated both presence and intent for one full year. Effective Fall 1993, if your parents are not residents of California, you will be required to be financially independent in order to be a resident for tuition purposes (see Financial Independence Requirements below). Your residence cannot be derived from your spouse, registered domestic partner, or your parents.

**Financial Independence Requirement**

You will be considered "financially independent" if one or more of the following applies: (1) you are at least 24 years of age by December 31 of the calendar year for which you are requesting resident classification; (2) you are a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces; (3) you are a ward of the court or both parents are deceased; (4) you have children or other legal dependents other than a spouse or registered domestic partner; (5) you are married or in a registered domestic partnership, or a graduate student or a professional student, and you were not claimed as an income tax deduction by any other individual other than your spouse or registered domestic partner for the tax year immediately preceding the term for which you are requesting resident classification; (6) you are a single undergraduate student and you were not claimed as an income tax deduction by your parents or any other individual for the two tax years immediately preceding the term for which you are requesting resident classification, and you can demonstrate self-sufficiency for those years and the current year.

**Note:** Graduate or professional school students who are employed at UC Davis 49% or more (or awarded the equivalent in University-administered funds; e.g., fellowships, grants, stipends) during the term for which classification as a resident is requested are exempt from the financial independence requirement.

**Establishing Intent to Become a California Resident**

Indications of your intent to make California your permanent residence can include the following: registering to vote and voting in California elections; designating California as your permanent address on all school and employment records, including military records if you are in the military service; obtaining a California driver's license or, if you do not drive, a California Identification Card; obtaining California vehicle registration; paying California income taxes as a resident, including taxes on income earned outside California from the date you establish residence; establishing a California residence in which you keep your personal belongings; and licensing for professional practice in California. The absence of these indicia in other states during any period for which you claim residence can also serve as an indication of your intent. Documentary evidence is required and all relevant indications will be considered in determining your classification. Your intent will be questioned if you return to your prior state of residence when the university is not in session.

**General Rules Applying to Minors**

If you are an unmarried minor (under age 18) the residence of the parent with whom you live is considered to be your residence. If you have a parent living, you cannot change your residence by your own act, by the appointment of a legal guardian, or by the relinquishment of your parent's right of control. If you lived with neither parent, your residence is that of the parent with whom you last lived. Unless you are a minor alien present in the U.S. under the terms of a nonimmigrant visa which precludes you from establishing domicile in the U.S., you may establish your own residence when both your parents are deceased and a legal guardian has not been appointed. If you derive California residence from a parent, that parent must satisfy the one-year durational residence requirement.

**Specific Rules Applying to Minors**

1. **Deceased Parents**—You may establish your own residence if both of your parents are deceased and a legal guardian has not been appointed for you.
2. **Divorced/Separated Parents**—You may be able to derive California resident status from a California resident parent if you move to California to live with that parent on or before your 18th birthday. If you begin residing with your California parent after your 18th birthday, you will be treated like any other adult student coming to California to establish residence.
3. **Parent of Minor Moves from California**—You may be entitled to resident status if you are a minor U.S. citizen or eligible alien whose parent(s) was a resident of California who left the state within one year of the residence determination date if: 1) you remained in California after your parent(s) departed; 2) you enroll in a California public post-secondary institution within one year of your parent(s) departure; and 3) once enrolled, you maintain continuous attendance in that institution.
4. **Self-Support**—You may be entitled to resident status if you are a U.S. citizen (or eligible alien), a minor, and can prove the following: 1) you lived in California for the entire year immediately preceding the residence determination date; 2) you are self-supporting and were self-supporting the entire year preceding the residence determination date; and 3) you intend to make California your permanent home.
5. **Two-year Care and Control**—You may be entitled to resident status if you are a U.S. citizen or eligible alien and you have lived continuously with an adult who is not your parent for at least two years prior to the residence determination date. The adult with whom you are living must have been responsible for your care and control for the entire two-year period and must have been residing in California during the one year immediately preceding the residence determination date.

## **Exemptions from Nonresident Tuition**

- 1. Member of the Military**—If you are a member of the U.S. military stationed in California on active duty, unless you are assigned for educational purposes to a state-supported institution of higher education, you may be exempt from the nonresident tuition fee. You must provide the residence deputy on campus with a statement from your commanding officer or personnel officer stating that your assignment to active duty in California is not for educational purposes. The letter must include the dates of your assignment to the state.
- 2. Spouse, Registered Domestic Partner, or Other Dependents of Military Personnel**—You are exempt from payment of the nonresident tuition fee if you are a spouse, a registered domestic partner, or a natural or adopted child or stepchild who is a dependent of a member of the U.S. military stationed in California on active duty. If you are enrolled in an educational institution and the member of the military is transferred on military orders to a place outside California where he or she continues to serve in the armed forces, or the member of the military retires from active duty immediately after having served in California on active duty, you may retain this exemption.
- 3. Child, Spouse, or Registered Domestic Partner of Faculty Member**—To the extent funds are available, if you are an unmarried dependent child under age 21, the spouse, or the registered domestic partner of a member of the University faculty who is a member of the Academic Senate, you may be eligible for a waiver of the nonresident tuition fee. Confirmation of the faculty member's membership in the Academic Senate must be secured each term this waiver is granted.
- 4. University Employment Outside of California**—You may be entitled to resident classification if you are a full-time University employee, or the unmarried dependent child, the spouse, or the registered domestic partner of a full-time University employee who is assigned to work outside of the state of California (e.g., Los Alamos National Laboratory and the University of California Washington D.C. Center). The University employee's employment status must be ascertained each term.
- 5. Child, Stepchild, Spouse, or Registered Domestic Partner of Deceased Public Law Enforcement or Fire Suppression Employee**—You may be entitled to a waiver of the nonresident tuition fee if you are the child, the stepchild, the spouse, or the registered domestic partner of a deceased public law enforcement or fire suppression employee who was a California resident at the time of his or her death and who was killed in the course of fire suppression or law enforcement duties.
- 6. Dependent of a California Resident**—A student who has not been an adult resident of California for more than one year and who is the dependent child of a California resident who has been a resident for more than one year immediately prior to the residence determination date may be entitled to resident classification until the student has resided in California for the minimum time necessary to become a resident so long as continuous attendance is maintained at an institution.
- 7. Native American Graduates of a Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) School**—You are eligible for an exemption from the nonresident fee if you are a graduate of a California school operated by the Federal BIA and you enroll at one of the University of California campuses. Currently, Sherman Indian High School in Riverside is the only California High School operated by the BIA.
- 8. Employee of a California Public School District**—A student holding a valid credential authorizing service in California public schools and employed by a school district in a full-time certificate position may be exempt from nonresident tuition.
- 9. Student Athlete in Training at U.S. Olympic Training Center, Chula Vista**—An amateur athlete in training at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista may be exempt from nonresident tuition until s/he has resided in California for the minimum time necessary to become a resident.
- 10. Graduate of California High School**—A student who attended high school in California for three or more years (9th grade included) and graduated from a California high school (or attained the equivalent) may be exempt from nonresident tuition.
- 11. Surviving Spouse, Registered Domestic Partner, or Dependent Child of a California Resident Killed in the September 11, 2001 Terrorist Attacks**—An undergraduate student who is the surviving spouse, registered domestic partner, or dependent child of a California resident killed in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon Building or the crash of United Airlines Flight 93, may be exempt from nonresident tuition and mandatory system-wide fees. Eligible students must meet the financial need requirements for the Cal Grant A program.

- 12. Recipient of a Congressional Medal of Honor or the Child of a Recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor**—An undergraduate student who is a recipient of a Congressional Medal of Honor or who is the child of a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor may be exempt from nonresident tuition and mandatory system-wide fees. The recipient of the Medal of Honor must be a California resident or must have been a California resident at the time of his or her death. The student may not be older than 27 and the student's annual income may not exceed the national poverty level.

## **Temporary Absences**

If you are a nonresident student who is in the process of establishing a residence for tuition purposes and you return to your former home during non-instructional periods, your presence in the state will be presumed to be solely for educational purposes and only convincing evidence to the contrary will rebut this presumption. (A student who is in the state solely for educational purposes will NOT be classified as a resident for tuition purposes regardless of the length of his or her stay). If you are a student who has been classified as a resident for tuition purposes and you leave the state temporarily, your absence could result in the loss of your California residence. The burden will be on you (or your parents if you are a minor) to verify that you did nothing inconsistent with your claim of a continuing California residence during your absence. Steps that you (or your parents) should take to retain a California residence include:

1. Continue to use a California permanent address on all records—educational, employment, military, etc.
2. Satisfy California resident income tax obligations. (Note: If you are claiming California residence, you are liable for payment of income taxes on your TOTAL income from the date you establish California residence. This includes income earned in another state or country.)
3. Retain your California voter's registration and vote by absentee ballot.
4. Maintain a California driver's license and vehicle registration. If it is necessary to change your driver's license and/or vehicle registration while you are temporarily residing in another state, you must change them back to California within the time prescribed by law.
5. Maintaining active bank accounts.

## **Classification to Resident Status**

If you are classified as a non-resident student and you wish to be classified as a resident, you should file your petition at least three weeks before the first day of instruction for the quarter for which you seek resident status. Late petitions will not be accepted.

## **Time Limitation Providing Documentation**

If additional documentation is required for either an initial residence classification or reclassification but is not readily accessible, you will be allowed until the end of the applicable term to provide it. Please remember that you are liable for payment of fees when they are due. Petitioning for a change of status does not alter the fee payment deadline.

## **Incorrect Classification**

If you were incorrectly classified as a resident, you are subject to reclassification and to payment of all nonresident tuition fees not paid. If you concealed information or furnished false information and were classified incorrectly as a result, you are also subject to University discipline. Resident students who become nonresidents must immediately notify the campus residence deputy.

## **Inquiries and Appeals**

Inquiries regarding residence requirements, determination, and/or recognized exceptions should be directed to the Residence Deputy, Office of the University Registrar, One Shields Avenue, Davis, California 95616, (530) 752-4749, or the Legal Analyst-Residence Matters, 1111 Franklin Street, 8th Floor, Oakland, CA 94607-5200. NO OTHER UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ARE AUTHORIZED TO SUPPLY INFORMATION RELATIVE TO RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR TUITION PURPOSES. You are cautioned that this summary is NOT a complete explanation of the law regarding residence. Please note that changes may be made in the residence requirements between the publication of this statement and the relevant residence determination date. Any student, following a final decision on residence classification by the residence deputy, may appeal in writing to the legal analyst within 30 days of notification of the residence deputy's final decision.



University of California, Davis  
Office of the University Registrar

Statement of Legal Residence  
Information and Form

One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616-8692 / Information: (530) 752-3639 / Fax: (530) 752-6906

**Level**

- Undergraduate
- Graduate
- Vet Med
- Medicine
- Law

**Status**

- New
- Continuing
- Re-admit

**Term**

- Fall 20\_\_\_\_\_
- Winter 20\_\_\_\_\_
- Spring 20\_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINES**

**Fall Admission**  
June 1

**Winter Admission**  
December 1

**Spring Admission**  
March 1

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS STATEMENT OF LEGAL RESIDENCE IN INK. SIGN AND DATE THE PETITION ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM. NEW STUDENTS are required to return this form to the Office of the University Registrar, One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616-8692. Any indication of resident status that you may have received is only provisional until a determination has been made by the Residence Deputy. If this form is not received, you will be classified as a non-resident student.

Print full name:	Last	First	Middle	Student ID Number	E-mail Address for Contacting You	
Present mailing address:	Number, Street	City	State	Zip	Phone Number	
Permanent residence:	Number, Street	City	State	Zip	Birthdate	Age

Do you claim to be a resident of California?  Yes  No

Are you a citizen of the United States?  Yes  No

If no, have you been awarded permanent residence status?  Yes  No  
Date awarded \_\_\_\_\_ Alien Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

If no, have you applied for permanent residence status?  Yes  No

If your permanent residence application is pending, is your current status valid?  Yes  No  
Visa Type \_\_\_\_\_ Valid from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide proof of status (Permanent Residence and Visa status only).**

**Dates of Physical Presence in California**  Continuously since birth

From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

If you claim California residence but have been absent from the state for more than six weeks during the last 12 months, please attach a statement regarding your absence.

Financial Information	Last Calendar Year	This Calendar Year		
What is your source of financial support? _____				
Did you/will you file a California RESIDENT income tax return?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Did you/will you file a RESIDENT income tax return in another state? If yes, state _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Employment Status				
Worked in California?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Worked outside California?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Did you receive loans, scholarships, or benefits that required residence outside California? If yes, describe _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Do you hold any professional licenses? If yes, valid from _____ to _____ in state of _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

Colleges or Universities Attended		Name of School	State
From	To		

If you claim to be a resident of California and are/were attending a public school outside of California within the last two years, please have the school send a letter stating your residence status for tuition purposes and your permanent address on their records.

Military Service:	Student	Spouse/Registered Domestic Partner		
Are you currently on active duty in the U.S. military? If yes, state of legal residence _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Are you registered with the selective service? If yes, state of registration _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

Do you have a driver's license?  Yes  No  
If yes, in which state \_\_\_\_\_  
Date issued \_\_\_\_\_  
Last renewed \_\_\_\_\_

If a non-driver, do you have a California Identification Card?  Yes  No  
Date issued \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a motor vehicle?  Yes  No  
If yes, date of registration \_\_\_\_\_  
State of registration \_\_\_\_\_

Are you registered to vote?  Yes  No  
If yes, state of registration \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, date of registration \_\_\_\_\_

Have you voted within the last fifteen months?  Yes  No  
If yes, in which state \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Bank Accounts**

Checking: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date established \_\_\_\_\_

Savings: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date established \_\_\_\_\_

**Marital Status**

If married: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

If in a registered domestic partnership: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

If divorced: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

What state do you regard as your permanent home? \_\_\_\_\_  
How long has it been your home? \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you plan to remain in California after completing your education?  Yes  No

Statement of Legal Residence Information and Form

**IF YOU ARE UNDER 24 YEARS OF AGE COMPLETE THE REMAINDER OF THIS FORM. IF NOT, PLEASE SIGN AND DATE BELOW.**

**Financial Independence:**

Are you financially dependent?  Yes  No  
 Please describe your source of financial support for the last 3 years:  
 2004: \_\_\_\_\_  
 2005: \_\_\_\_\_  
 2006: \_\_\_\_\_

For which of following years were you claimed as an exemption on your parents' state or federal tax returns?  2004  2005  2006

Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?  Yes  No  
 Are you a ward of the court?  Yes  No  
 Are either or both of your parents deceased? Father?  Yes  No  
 Mother?  Yes  No  
 Do you have children or other legal dependents other than a spouse?  Yes  No  
 Are you/will you be a graduate student employed by your department at 49% or more?  Yes  No

**Are your parents currently on active duty in the United States military?**  
 Stationed in California? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Stationed outside California? \_\_\_\_\_  
 State of legal residence \_\_\_\_\_

Father  Yes  No Mother  Yes  No  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**Are your parents divorced or permanently separated?**  Yes  No  
 If yes, who have you been living with?  
 Mother  Father  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dates of residence with person noted above:  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you resided with your other parent since divorce or separation?**  Yes  No  
 If yes, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Father:**

Father's full name: Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: Number, Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates of Father's Physical Presence in California:**  Continuously since birth  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**If he claims California residence but has been absent from the state for more than six weeks during the last 12 months, please attach a statement regarding his absence.**

Does he have a driver's license?  Yes  No  
 California I.D. card?  Yes  No  
 If yes, in what state? \_\_\_\_\_ Date issued \_\_\_\_\_ Last renewed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Does he own a motor vehicle?  Yes  No  
 If yes, in what state? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of registration \_\_\_\_\_  
 Did he/will he file a California income tax return on her total income?  
 Last calendar year:  Yes  No If no, what state? \_\_\_\_\_  
 This calendar year:  Yes  No If no, what state? \_\_\_\_\_

**Does he claim to be a resident of California?**  Yes  No  
**IS YOUR FATHER:**

**Please provide proof of status (Permanent residence/Visa status only).**

A U.S. citizen?  Yes  No  
 A U.S. permanent resident (PR)?  Yes  No  
 Date awarded \_\_\_\_\_ Alien Reg # \_\_\_\_\_  
 An applicant for PR status?  Yes  No  
 If his application is pending, is his status valid?  Yes  No  
 Visa Type \_\_\_\_\_ Valid from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registered to vote?  Yes  No  
 State of registration \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Has he voted within the last 15 months?  Yes  No  
 If yes, State \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bank accounts (state/date established)  
 Checking \_\_\_\_\_  
 Savings \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Mother:** Please provide proof of status (Permanent residence/Visa status only).

Mother's full name: Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: Number, Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates of Mother's Physical Presence in California:**  Continuously since birth  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**If she claims California residence but has been absent from the state for more than six weeks during the last 12 months, please attach a statement regarding her absence.**

Does she have a driver's license?  Yes  No  
 California I.D. card?  Yes  No  
 If yes, in what state? \_\_\_\_\_ Date issued \_\_\_\_\_ Last renewed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Does she own a motor vehicle?  Yes  No  
 If yes, in what state? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of registration \_\_\_\_\_  
 Did she/will she file a California income tax return on her total income?  
 Last calendar year:  Yes  No If no, what state? \_\_\_\_\_  
 This calendar year:  Yes  No If no, what state? \_\_\_\_\_

**Does she claim to be a resident of California?**  Yes  No  
**IS YOUR MOTHER:**

**Please provide proof of status (Permanent residence/Visa status only).**

A U.S. citizen?  Yes  No  
 A U.S. permanent resident (PR)?  Yes  No  
 Date awarded \_\_\_\_\_ Alien Reg # \_\_\_\_\_  
 An applicant for PR status?  Yes  No  
 If his application is pending, is his status valid?  Yes  No  
 Visa Type \_\_\_\_\_ Valid from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registered to vote?  Yes  No  
 State of registration \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Has she voted within the last 15 months?  Yes  No  
 If yes, State \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bank accounts (state/date established)  
 Checking \_\_\_\_\_  
 Savings \_\_\_\_\_

Do you authorize the University of California to release information regarding your residence file to your parents?  Yes  No

**SIGNATURE REQUIRED:** I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the statements on both sides of this page and any attachments submitted by me in connection with the determination of my residence are, and each of them is, true and correct.

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SIGNED IN:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (City, County)

**PRIVACY NOTICE:** All of the information requested on this Statement of Legal Residence is required (by the authority of Standing Order 110.2(a)-(d) of the Regents of the University of California) for determining whether or not you are a legal resident for tuition purposes. Your registration cannot be processed without this information. The Office of the University Registrar on campus maintains the requested information. You have the right to inspect University records containing the residence information requested on this form.

In accordance with the Federal Privacy Act of 1974, you are hereby notified that disclosure of your social security number is mandatory. This recordkeeping system was established prior to January 1, 1975 pursuant to the authority of The Regents of the University of California under Article IX, Section 9 of the California Constitution. The social security number is used to verify your identity.