

Information for Florida Residency Classification

A Florida “resident for tuition purposes” is a person who has, or a dependent person whose parent or legal guardian has, established and maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months. Residence in Florida must be a bona fide domiciliary rather than for the purpose of maintaining a residence incident to enrollment at an institution of higher education. Other persons not meeting the 12-month legal residence requirement may be classified as Florida “**residents for tuition purposes**” only if they fall within one of the limited special categories authorized by the Florida Legislature.

To qualify as a Florida “resident for tuition purposes” a student must be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident alien, or a legal alien granted indefinite stay by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS). Living in or attending school in Florida does not establish legal residence. Students who depend on out-of-state parents for support are presumed to be legal residents of that state. Documents supporting the establishment of legal residence must be dated, issued, or filed 12 months before the first day of classes in the term for which a Florida resident classification is sought.

All other persons are ineligible for classification as a Florida “resident for tuition purposes” and will be charged non-resident tuition.

DEFINITIONS

Independent: 24 years of age or older by the first day of classes; married; has children who receive more than half of their support from the student; has other dependents who live with and receive more than half of their support from the student; is a veteran of the United States Armed Forces or is currently serving on active duty; both of the student’s parents are deceased; or the student is/was (until age 18) a ward/dependent of the court.

Dependent: All students who do not meet the definition of an independent student shall be classified as dependent for the determination of residency for tuition purposes.

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All documentation is subject to verification.

(For the purpose of assessing tuition, a student shall be classified as a “resident” or “non-resident” student based upon Florida Statute 1009.21. If you do not qualify, simply sign the Non-Florida Resident section below.)

- I am an independent person and have maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months.
- I am a dependent person (under 24 years old as defined in the IRS tax code) and my parent or legal guardian has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months.
- I am a dependent person who has resided for five years with an adult relative other than my parent or legal guardian and my relative has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months.
- A Florida public college/university declared me a resident for tuition purposes. **Name of institution** _____
- I am married to a person who has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months. I have established legal residence and intend to make Florida my permanent home. **(Marriage certificate required.)**
- I was previously enrolled at a Florida state institution and classified as a Florida resident for tuition purposes. I abandoned my Florida domicile less than 12 months ago, and am now re-establishing Florida legal residence.
- According to the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service, I am a permanent resident alien or other legal alien granted indefinite stay. I have maintained domicile in Florida for at least 12 months. **(INS documentation required.)**
- I am a member of the armed services of the United States and am stationed in Florida on active military duty pursuant to military orders, or whose home of record is Florida (or I am the member’s spouse or dependent child). **(Military orders, DD2058, or military document showing home of record required.)**
- I am a full-time instructional or administrative employee employed by a Florida public school, community college or institution of higher education (or I am a spouse or dependent child). **(Employment verification required.)**
- I am part of the Latin American/Caribbean scholarship program. **(Scholarship papers required.)**
- I am a qualified beneficiary under the terms of the Florida Pre-Paid Postsecondary Expense Program (S.240.0551, F.S.). **(Card required.)**
- I am a United States citizen living on the Isthmus of Panama who has completed 12 consecutive months of college work at the Florida State University Panama Canal Branch, or I am the student’s spouse or dependent child.
- I am a full-time employee of a state agency or political subdivision of the state whose student fees are paid by the state agency or political subdivision for the job-related law enforcement or corrections training.
- I am a full-time student participating in a linkage institute.

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Non-Florida Residents Only

I understand that I do not qualify as a Florida resident for tuition purposes for the term in which this application is submitted. If I should qualify for a future term, it will be necessary for me to file the required documentation prior to the beginning of the term, in order to be considered for Florida residency classification.

Signature in ink **X** _____ Date _____

Florida Residency Classification Verification

Proof of residency documentation must be verified by Broward College staff (e.g., driver's license and/or vehicle registration). Additional documentation (e.g., tax returns, deeds, etc.) may be required by the college in some cases. Someone other than the student (e.g., parent) should complete this affidavit if the student is dependent or seeks to be classified as a Florida resident by virtue of a relationship. Otherwise, the student should complete this affidavit.

Name of Student (print) _____ Social Security/Student ID No. _____

The **Claimant** is the person who is claiming Florida residency, e.g., the student (if independent), parent, spouse, or legal guardian. **All of the questions below pertain to the claimant.**

Name of Claimant _____ Relationship of Claimant to Student _____

Permanent Legal Address of Claimant Street Address _____

Telephone _____ City/State/Zip _____

Date Claimant Began Establishing Legal Florida Residence and Domicile _____

Claimant's Voter Registration:			
State	County	Number	Original Issue Date

Expiration Date	Verified by BC Staff (print name and sign)		Verification Date

Claimant's Driver's License			
State	Number	Original Issue Date	

Expiration Date	Verified by BC Staff (print name and sign)		Verification Date

Claimant's Vehicle Registration:			
State	License Tag Number	Issue Date	

Expiration Date	Verified by BC Staff (print name and sign)		Verification Date

Other Documentation:

_____	Verified by BC Staff (print name and sign)	Verification Date
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Non-U.S. Citizen ONLY:

Resident Alien Number	Date Card Issued	

Expiration Date	Verified by BC Staff (print name and sign)	Verification Date

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION MAY BE REQUESTED BY THE INSTITUTION

I do hereby swear or affirm that the above-named student meets all requirements indicated in the checked category above for classification as a Florida resident for tuition purposes. I understand that a false statement in this affidavit will subject me to penalties pursuant to 837.06, Florida Statutes, and that a false statement in this affidavit may subject the above-named student to the penalties for making a false or fraudulent statement.

Signature in ink of person claiming Florida residency **X** _____

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