

If you are an adult student you may establish residence for tuition purposes in California if you satisfy all requirements below:

1. **Eligibility for 366 days immediately prior to Residence Determination Date**—first day of instruction for the term resident classification is sought.

- U.S. citizen Permanent Resident Other Immigrant Certain Nonimmigrant

See handout entitled “Residency Requirements: Eligibility.”

2. **Physical Presence for 366 days immediately prior to Residence Determination Date.**

To establish residency you must be physically present in California for more than one year (366 days) immediately prior to the residence determination date of the term for which you are requesting a resident classification. Physical presence within the state solely for educational purposes does not constitute the establishment of California residence, regardless of the length of your stay.

3. **Intent**—You must have come here with the intent to make California your home, as opposed to coming to this state to go to school. You and/or your parents must prove California is your primary and permanent home by obtaining legal indicia of intent, as well as other indicia of intent, immediately after entering California and demonstrating that all legal ties to your past place of residence have been relinquished. Legal ties established with the State of California will be given greater weight than other indicia. Individuals who fail to establish legal ties with the State of California or fail to relinquish ties to their former place of residence will be presumed to be in California solely for educational purposes. Students who continue to hold out-of-state legal indicia may be denied a resident classification for that term; see handout entitled “Establishing Intent.”

4. **Financial Support/Dependence.**

Age 24—Students turning age 24 during the calendar year they are requesting resident classification will be considered age 24 the entire year from January 1 and not subject to the financial independence requirement.

Under Age 24 with California Resident Parents—Students under the age 24 who are financially dependent upon a California resident parent who meets all of the University requirements for residence for tuition purposes may be classified as a resident.

Under Age 24 Not Dependent on Parents—Students who claim not to be dependent upon parents must demonstrate financial independence (total self-sufficiency); see handout entitled “Residency Requirements Undergraduate Handout”—Page 2—“When Parents Do Not Reside in California.”

Financial Independence Not a Factor For:

1. Graduate or Professional School Student employed at the University 49% or more time (or awarded the equivalent in University-administered funds) during the quarter for which classification as a resident is requested.
2. Graduate or Professional School Student Not Claimed as an Income Tax Deduction by parents or any other individual for the tax year immediately preceding the term for which the student is requesting resident classification.
3. Under Age 24 with Formerly Resident Parents—A student who reached the age of majority (18 years) in California while his/her parents were residents of California, and the parents leave the state to establish a residence elsewhere, and the student continues to reside in California after the parents’ departure.

Office Visit Date: _____ Deputy: _____

Comments:

Contact: residence deputy@ucdavis.edu

This information may be only a partial statement of the UC’s residency requirements and is subject change due to legislative action. Residency is officially determined after the student is admitted. A Statement of Legal Residence is completed by the student and provides Residence Deputies with the facts and information to begin the determination. Students are responsible for providing all relevant information and documents requested by a Residence Deputy. Residence Deputies are the only University Personnel authorized to provide information regarding residency requirements or a student’s residence status.