Washington State Residency Requirements for Tuition Purposes

Submit the Following Documents with the Residence Questionnaire. Non-citizens provide immigration documents. (Green card, I-94 Refugee/asylum, A, E, G, H, L, K, U visa)

### INDEPENDENT STUDENTS

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*Minimum Documents Required by Law*

- **Voter’s registration card**: issued at least 12-months before you apply
  - Required if registered to vote in your previous state.
  - If not registered in previous state, provide a statement of that fact.
- **Washington State Driver’s License, or State ID Card**: issued at least 12-months before you apply.
- **Copy of Washington State Vehicle Registration**: issued at least 12 months prior to application
  - If you do not own a vehicle, provide a statement of that fact

### DEPENDENT STUDENTS

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*Minimum Documents Required by Law*

- **Parent/Legal Guardian’s Voter registration card**: issued at least 12-months before you apply
  - Required if registered to vote in another state
  - If not previously registered to vote in another state, parent/legal guardian must provide a statement to that fact.
- **Parent/Legal Guardian’s Washington State Driver’s License, or State ID Card**: issued at least 12-months before you apply
- **Parent/Legal Guardian’s Washington State Vehicle Registration**: issued at least 12-months before you apply.
  - If no vehicle, your parent/legal guardian must provide a statement to that fact.

### Other Required Documents

- **Income Tax Return**: for the last calendar year
  - If you were not required to file a tax return, provide a statement to that effect and document how you met your living expenses for the previous calendar year.
- **Place of Residence**: document 12-months of living in Washington State.
  - Lease, home purchase agreement, letter from property owner, etc.
- **Verification of Employment**: document first day of work: letter from employer, or first paystub.
  - Provide copy of most recent paystub.
- **Parent/Legal Guardian’s Income Tax Return**: for the last calendar year.
  - If not required to file a tax return, your parent/legal guardian must provide a statement to that effect and show us how they met living expenses for the previous calendar year.
- **Parent/Legal Guardian’s Place of Residence**: document 12-months of living in Washington State
  - Lease, home purchase agreement, letter from property owner, etc.
- **Parent/Legal Guardian’s Verification of Employment**: document first day of work: letter from employer, or first paystub.
  - Provide copy of most recent paystub.
- **Legal Documents**: Provide court documents showing legal guardianship if a legal guardian completed your Residency Questionnaire and provided the needed documentation.

*IMPORTANT NOTE: If you moved to Washington and began taking classes at a college or university, before living in Washington State for at least 12-months, state law assumes you moved here for educational reasons. This automatically prevents you from becoming a Washington State resident. Therefore, we begin the 12-month residency count from the day you received the “minimum documents required by law” listed above.*