GENERAL INFORMATION

When an applicant is admitted to Wayne State University as a non-resident but thinks that there are circumstances which would warrant changing the classification to that of a resident they should contact the admitting office to discuss their options.
Office of Undergraduate Admissions: http://admissions.wayne.edu/contact.php
Office of Graduate Admissions: http://gradschool.wayne.edu/future/contact.php

After registering a student may challenge the initial classification made by the Office of Admissions by filing an Application for Residence Classification with the Records and Registration Office. Residency appeals must include all documentation that the student wishes the reviewer to consider in making the determination. The decision is not based on time alone, but rather on the entire set of documents to determine the intent of the student when he/she moved to Michigan. Filing an appeal for change of residency does not relieve the student of the obligation to pay all assessed charges while the decision is pending.

Except for documented delays caused by University personnel, Applications for Residence Classification must be received by:
- September 30 for the Fall Term and the Medical Year Term
- January 31 for the Winter Term
- July 31 for the Spring/Summer Term

Deadlines falling on weekends will be extended to the next business day. Applications received after these dates will be processed for the following term.

Mail/Fax to: Records and Registration Office
5057 Woodward, Fifth Floor
Detroit, MI 48202
Phone: (313) 577-3541
Fax: (313) 577-7870
ESP@wayne.edu

Drop Off: Student Service Center Lobby
Welcome Center
42 W. Warren
Detroit, MI 48202
Phone: (313) 577-2100

Documents Which Should Be Included When Filing for Resident Classification

When filing an Application for Resident Classification, the following documentation should be included with the Application form:
- for all applicants: a copy of the driver’s license of the applicant
- for all applicants: a copy of a lease agreement, property deed, or property title of the applicant
- for all applicants: copies of the front and signature pages of the most recent year's federal and state income tax returns and W2s for the applicant and the person or persons upon whom the applicant is basing the claim to resident eligibility
- for applicants born outside the U.S.: verification of U.S. citizenship or visa status
- for applicants who are dependents: copies of the front and signature pages of the parents’ most recent year’s federal and state income tax returns
- for applicants whose claim to eligibility for resident classification is based on permanent, full-time employment for themselves, a parent, spouse or domestic partner: a letter from the employer, written on letterhead (including phone number), stating the position, status and dates of employment. A copy of the most recent pay stub showing Michigan taxes being withheld should accompany the letter.

Applicants are also responsible for providing any other documentation necessary to support their claim to resident eligibility. Additional documentary evidence may be requested.

Circumstances which may demonstrate permanent domicile

The following circumstances and activities, though not conclusive or exhaustive, may lend support to a claim to eligibility for resident classification:
- both parents (in the case of divorce, one parent) permanently domiciled in Michigan as demonstrated by permanent employment, establishment of a household and severance of out of state ties
- applicant employed in the state in a full-time, permanent position provided that the applicant’s employment is the primary purpose for the applicant’s presence in Michigan
- spouse or domestic partner employed in the state in a full-time, permanent position provided that the spouse’s or partner’s employment is the primary purpose for the student’s presence in Michigan

Circumstances which do not demonstrate permanent domicile

The circumstances and activities listed below are temporary or indeterminate and, in and of themselves, do not demonstrate permanent domicile:
- enrollment in high school, community college or university
- participation in a medical residency program, fellowship or internship
- employment that is temporary or short-term
- employment in a position normally held by a student
- presence of relatives (other than parents)
- possession of a Michigan driver’s license or voter’s registration
- payment of Michigan income or property taxes
- the applicant’s statement of intent to be domiciled in Michigan
INTRODUCTION

The following regulations and review procedures are established by Wayne State University for tuition and fee purposes. Wayne State University recognizes three means by which an individual may establish eligibility for in-state tuition and fees:

- By establishing residence by presence in the State of Michigan;
- By establishing attendance at Michigan high schools;
- By establishing military service status

REGULATIONS

1. Establishing Residence by Presence in Michigan

   Generally, in order to establish residence by presence in the State of Michigan, an individual must document at least six months of continuous physical presence in the State. The six months continuous residence must be completed before the first day of classes for the term in which a residence classification is sought. Even if someone is present in Michigan for six months, the person may not qualify for in-state tuition; it depends on whether the person is in Michigan for educational purposes or some other reason. See Section 3 under limited circumstances which clearly demonstrate that a student’s presence in the State of Michigan is not primarily for educational purposes the student may be eligible for in-state tuition prior to the passage of the six-month presence requirement. See Section 4.

2. Temporary Absences

   In general, a person’s residence is the place where he or she actually lives with the intention of making it the person's permanent home and to which he or she intends to return from temporary absences. A person may be temporarily absent from Michigan without affecting his or her previously established residence. Full-time attendance at a school outside Michigan and enlistment in a military service may be examples of temporary absences. Other types of absences for more than six months will be presumed not to be temporary.

3. Presence for Educational Purposes

   Coming to Michigan from another state or country in order to attend Wayne State University or another school does not establish residence. A non-resident at the time of his or her enrollment remains a non-resident throughout his or her presence as a student, except where it can be established that presence in the State of Michigan is primarily for purposes that are not educational, with enrollment only incident to the primary purpose of being in Michigan. If a student enrolls in undergraduate school for more than 8 credit hours, or in graduate school for more than 6 credit hours, or in Law School for more than 10 credit hours in any one full length term, within six months after arrival in Michigan, Wayne State University normally presumes that the student is in Michigan for the purpose of attending school. Applicants must demonstrate that their presence in Michigan is primarily for purposes that are not related to enrollment.

4. Factors Considered in a Residence Classification

   The following circumstances, although not conclusive, support a claim for in-state tuition on the basis of residence:
   a. The student is employed in Michigan on a permanent, full-time basis or has accepted an offer of permanent employment in Michigan.
   b. The student’s parents (or in the case of divorce, one parent) are legal residents of Michigan as shown by their permanent employment in Michigan and/or their establishment of a primary household in Michigan, and the applicant previously was a resident of Michigan and has maintained significant connections to Michigan.
   c. The student’s spouse or partner is employed in Michigan on a permanent, full-time basis and the applicant moved to Michigan as a consequence of that employment; and
   d. The student has broken off ties to his or her previous state of residence so that he or she no longer can reasonably be considered to be a resident of another state.

5. Factors Typically Not Supporting Residence Classification

   The following circumstances, standing alone, do not typically support residence, inasmuch as they may be common to a temporary or short-term presence in Michigan:
   a. Employment by the University as a fellow, scholar, assistant, or in any position normally filled by students;
   b. A statement of intention to establish residence in this state;
   c. Payment of local and state taxes; or
   d. Automobile registration; driver’s license; continued presence in Michigan during vacation periods.

   Although insufficient to establish residence, certain of these factors may be taken into consideration in determining whether a student has broken off ties to the student’s previous state of residence.

6. For purposes of these regulations, the age of majority is 18 years. If a minor meets all the criteria of an adult, he/she shall be considered an adult for tuition purposes.

   a. That of the parents or surviving parent; or
   b. That of the parent to whom custody of the minor has been awarded by a divorce or other judicial decree; or
   c. That of the parent with whom the minor in fact makes his or her home, if there has been a separation without a judicial award of custody; or
   d. That of an adoptive parent, where there has been a legal adoption, even though the natural parents or parent may be living; or
   e. That of a “natural” guardian, such as grandparent with whom the minor in fact makes his or her home, where the minor has permanently left his or her parental home and reasonable expectation of substantial financial support from the parents has been dissolved. A natural guardian is someone who, although not legally the minor’s parent or guardian, performs the same sort of parental duties.
   f. If a Michigan resident parent or guardian of a minor moves his or her residence to another state, the minor shall remain eligible for resident tuition status as long as (s)he continues to attend school regularly in this state.
   g. A minor who has permanently left his or her parental home, and who has no reasonable expectation of significant financial support from his or her parents or legal guardian, etc., may qualify for resident status even if under 18 years of age.
7. Non-U.S. Citizens
A non-U.S. citizen may apply for resident status in the same manner as a citizen, if he or she is in the United States for other than a temporary educational purpose. In order to demonstrate this, applicants must provide evidence from the U.S. Department of Citizenship and Immigration Services of one of the following:

a. A U.S. permanent resident alien with a Permanent Resident Card (green card).
b. An applicant for U.S. permanent residence whose Petition for Alien Relative, or Employment-based Immigration Petition for Alien Worker has been approved, or who have been issued an Employment Authorization documentation pending adjustment of status. These individuals will have documentation of this status such as an I-130 (Petition for Alien Relative) or I-140 (Immigration Petition for Alien Worker) Approval Notice, or an I-151 or I-551 Notice of Action indicating approval of petition to become an immigrant.
c. An alien with a current valid visa type issued for purposes of working in the United States, and currently working in the State of Michigan. These currently include visa types of A, E, G, H, I, L, R and TN.
d. An alien granted asylum or refugee status.

8. Attendance of Michigan High Schools
An individual may be eligible for in-state tuition on the basis of high school attendance in he or she demonstrates that he or she:

a. Attended an accredited Michigan high school for at least three years and thereafter graduated from an accredited Michigan high school or obtained his or her GED in Michigan; and
b. Enrolls at Wayne State University within 28 months of graduating from high school or obtaining a GED.

An individual does not need to be a legal resident of Michigan or a citizen of the United States to qualify for in-state tuition on the basis of attendance at Michigan schools.

9. Military Service
Individuals on active duty in the U.S. Military who are stationed in Michigan and their dependents are eligible for Michigan in-state tuition. Stationing orders and proof of relationship (for dependents) must be provided with the application.

Veterans and their dependents are eligible for Michigan in-state tuition.

The term "veteran" means a citizen of the United States or a resident alien whose most recent separation from any branch of the armed forces of the United States was under conditions other than dishonorable after having served on active duty for 90 consecutive days or more or by reason of disability incurred while serving on active duty.

Individuals who are members of the National Guard of any state, or who were separated from the National Guard of any state under conditions other than dishonorable, and their dependents are eligible for Michigan in-state tuition.

Without regard to the foregoing, any individual using educational assistance under either Chapter 30 (Montgomery GI Bill® – Active Duty Program), Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 GI Bill®), of title 38, United States Code, and/or the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship (38 U.S.C. § 3311(b)(9)) who lives in the State of Michigan while attending Wayne State University (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) is eligible for Michigan in-state tuition.

Residents of Fulton, Lucas, Ottawa, and Williams counties in Ohio, or residents of Ontario, Canada who were enrolled at Wayne State in eligible undergraduate programs as of Fall Semester, 2013, will pay in-state tuition and fees through the 2013-2014 academic year. This provision does not apply to all academic programs. WSU Tuition and Fee Regulations published each academic year identify specific academic programs eligible for this provision. Following the 2013-2014 academic year, the Great Lakes Policy (See section 11 below) will take effect for these undergraduates.

Residents of Fulton, Lucas, Ottawa, and Williams counties in Ohio, or residents of Ontario, Canada, who are enrolled in eligible graduate programs will pay in-state tuition. WSU Tuition and Fee Regulations published each academic year identify specific academic programs eligible for this provision.

11. Great Lakes Policy
Residents of the states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, New York, or Pennsylvania, or the province of Ontario, Canada, who are enrolled in eligible undergraduate programs and who are not eligible for the Good Neighbor Policy may pay tuition and fees at 110% of the then-current in-state rate.

Students enrolled in programs which are offered online in their entirety will have the out-state portion of their tuition waived. WSU Tuition & Fee Regulations published each academic year will identify the specific academic programs eligible for this provision.

REVIEW PROCEDURES

1. Initial Classification and Appeal

a. The student is responsible for registering under proper residence or tuition status and advising the University of changes in circumstances, which might affect tuition status. Questions concerning a student’s residence or tuition status prior to enrollment should be raised with the Office of Admissions. Questions arising after enrollment should be raised with the Registrar’s Office.

b. After enrolling a student may challenge the initial classification made by the Office of Admissions by filing an Application for Residence Classification or Change in Tuition Status with the Registrar’s Office.
c. Except for documented delays caused by University personnel, such applications must be filed by:
   - September 30 for the Fall Term and the Medical Year Term
   - January 31 for the Winter Term
   - July 31 for the Spring/Summer Term
   Deadlines falling on weekends will be extended to the next business day. Applications received after these dates will be processed for the following semester.

2. Further Appeal

   A student may appeal the initial tuition decision as follows:

   a. By filing a written notice of appeal with the Registrar within thirty (30) days after the student is notified of the classification decision. The notice of appeal shall include reasons for the appeal, the period for which resident status is claimed, and a complete statement of the facts on which the appeal is based, together with supporting affidavits or other documentary evidence. Failure to file notice within thirty (30) days shall constitute a waiver of any right to further appeal. The student has the right to consult the University Ombudsman at any time, and the student may particularly want to utilize the Ombudsman's services at this point in the review procedures.

   b. A student may appeal the Registrar's decision by filing a written notice of appeal with the Office of the General Counsel within fifteen (15) days from the date of the Registrar's decision. Failure to file written notice of appeal of the Registrar's decision with the Office of the General Counsel within fifteen (15) days shall constitute a waiver of any right to further appeal.

   c. A student may appeal the decision of the Office of the General Counsel within fifteen (15) days with the Office of the President. Failure to file written notice of appeal of the General Counsel's decision with the Office of the President within fifteen (15) days shall constitute a waiver of any right to further appeal. After the notice of appeal, the President or his designee shall review the student's appeal and render a final decision.

Erroneous Classification

   a. If an erroneous classification of non-resident occurs, an adjustment for the appropriate period and amount will be made.

   b. If an erroneous classification of resident occurs, the student shall be reclassified as a non-resident student. If the cause of his or her incorrect classification shall be found to be due to any material concealment of facts or false statement made by the student before the time of the original classification, the student will be required to pay all tuition and fees which would have been charged to him or her and also will be subject to appropriate discipline in accordance with University Student Code of Conduct. If it is determined that there is no such concealment of facts by the student, fees shall be adjusted only for current and future semesters.
APPLICATION FOR RESIDENCE CLASSIFICATION
(For University Tuition Assessment Purposes)

Please read the attached regulations and answer all questions completely, using “none” or “N/A” for those which do not apply to your situation. To facilitate the review, your application should be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentary evidence.

1. Name _____________________________________________            Access I.D.: ______________________________
   (print)

2. Present mailing address ____________________________________________
   number street     city     state     zip code

3. Permanent address ____________________________________________
   number street     city     state     zip code

4. Living arrangements:  with parents ______   other relatives (specify) _________________  in rented room or apt.________
   friend(s) (specify) ___________________________________________  house:  own ______   rent _________

5. School or college at Wayne State ____________________________  For what term/year are you requesting residency?
  ________________________________________
   Undergraduate _____   Graduate _____   Professional _____
   Date of birth ____________________________

6. Of what country are you a citizen?________________ If not USA, what type of visa do you hold? __________
   Issued where? __________________________ when? ____________   Undocumented Immigrant _____

7. When did you come (or last return) to Michigan to live? (date) ____________  From (place) ______________________
   For what purpose? ____________________________________________
   Have you ever resided in Michigan previously? ________ Explain: ____________________________________________

8. List your source of financial support.  If several, itemize amounts or percentages __________________
   ____________________________________________
   ____________________________________________
   How will your source of financial support change while you attend Wayne State? ____________________________

9. If you receive any financial support from your parents or guardian, or are under 18, answer the following:
   Father’s Name _______________________ Address ______________________________________________________
   city     state
   Mother’s Name _______________________ Address ______________________________________________________
   city     state
   If parents’ addresses differ, explain: ____________________________________________
   If parents are divorced or separated, who has legal custody? ____________________________
   If you have a guardian, answer the following:
   Guardian’s Name _______________________ Date guardianship began ____________ Legal or informal? ________
   Guardian’s Address ____________________________________________
10. Are you a registered voter? _____ Where? ________________________________ Since what date? ______________

11. Do you hold a driver’s license? _____ Where? ________________________________ Since what date? ______________

12. Do you own a motor vehicle? _____ In what state is it registered? ______________________________

13. Are you married? _____ If yes, date of marriage ______________ Name of Spouse ________________________

   Spouse’s legal residence __________________________________________ Since what date? ______________
   city state

   Spouse’s employment ______________________________________________
   name of firm city state Since what date? ______________

14. List your places of employment in the past 5 years. If necessary, use another sheet.

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15. List chronologically all high schools, colleges or universities you have attended, including Wayne State.

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16. Why do you believe you should be classified a Michigan resident for tuition assessment purposes? Be specific, and if necessary, you may attach additional sheets.

17. CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby certify that the information given is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge, and that I am not claiming residency in another state or country for any purpose.

Signed ______________________________________________________________________ Date _____

Telephone: Work _______________________________ Home _______________________________

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:
Ruling of Registration and Scheduling: Resident _____ Non-Resident _____ By ______________________ Date _________