

## Residency for Tuition: Quick Guide

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All students are charged the out-of-state tuition rate at the time of enrollment. You then have the opportunity to submit documents to establish “Residency,” which lowers your tuition to the in-state tuition rate. It is your responsibility to establish residency. To receive the reduced rate, the documentation must be provided before the end of the term in which you are enrolled. Any documentation received after the end of the term will be used to determine residency for subsequent terms. If you attend more than one college in the Maricopa County Community College District, proof of residency and citizenship or lawful status must be provided to each college.

*\* Disclaimer: Residency status for in-state tuition will not be applied retroactively to previous semesters, nor will a refund be given for the difference in tuition rates.*

### ID Authentication - How to Establish Residency

Providing [identification](#) is the first step to establishing residency. If your documents establish that you have lived in Arizona for the last 12 months, no further action is needed. The college will update your tuition rate typically within 10-15 business days.

If your documentation does not meet the requirements for in-state tuition, you may need to appeal for in-state tuition. Please see the different types of appeals and qualifying statuses on the chart below. Please contact [Enrollment Services](#) if you have questions about eligibility or the appeal process.

**Appeal Process for Establishing Residency: Please select the square below that applies to you.**

Domicile Appeal (Independent/Dependent)*	Student Visas, Permanent Resident, & Prop 308	Exceptions to the 1-year rule
<p><i>* Domicile Appeals should only be submitted if you have established domicile (residency) for one year before the start of the semester but are still being charged as an out-of-state student. *</i></p> <p><b>Independent Student:</b> If you are over 24 and have achieved independent status, you can apply for in-state tuition by submitting an <b>Independent Domicile Affidavit</b>.</p> <p><b>Dependent Student:</b> If you are under 24 and considered a dependent by a parent, guardian, or spouse who is an Arizona resident, you can apply for in-state tuition by submitting a <b>Dependent Domicile Affidavit</b>.</p> <p><i>To access the appeal forms, please scan the QR code at the top of this page.</i></p>	<p><b>Qualifying Visas:</b> A, E1, E2, G1- G5, H1B, H4, K1-K4, L1, L2, NATO- 1-6, RE, T1-T3, U1-U5, V1-V3, I-130, I-485</p> <p><b>Non-Qualifying Visas:</b> B1, B2, C1-C3, CW1-2, D1, D2, E2C, E3, E3D, E3R, F1-F3, H1B1, H1C, H2A, H2B, H2R, H3, I, J1, J2, M1-M3, O1-O3, OPT, P1-P3, P4Q, R1, R2, S-5 and S-6, SD1, TN1, T5, T6, TD, TPS, WB, WT</p> <p><b>Permanent Resident:</b> A student holding an AR-1 Permanent Resident Card that has been issued for at least one year and has established domicile in Arizona for one year may qualify for in-state tuition.</p> <p><b>PROP 308:</b> Qualifying non-citizen Arizona high school graduates who attended an Arizona public or private high school or homeschool equivalent while physically present in Arizona for at least two years <b>OR</b> graduated from any public or private high school option or homeschool equivalent while physically present in the state <b>OR</b> obtained a high school equivalency diploma in this state may qualify.</p>	<p><b>If you have lived in Arizona for less than a year but meet any of the following criteria, you may be exempt from the one-year domicile requirement and qualify for in-state tuition.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marriage to an Arizona Resident</li> <li>• Student’s, Parent’s, or Spouse’s Full-time permanent employment in Arizona due to job transfer</li> <li>• Extenuating Circumstances (such as divorce, death of a spouse, or homelessness)</li> <li>• Membership in a Recognized American Indian Tribe</li> <li>• Student Service Members, Veterans, and Dependents</li> <li>• Employment through Arizona Education K-12, Community College or University.</li> </ul>