University of Utah
Spring 2021 Residency Procedure

Due to the impact of COVID-19, the University of Utah has determined the following requirements for students reclassifying for residency for the spring 2021 semester under the Undergraduate and Graduate policies:

• Be a U.S. citizen or have been granted permanent resident, asylum, or refugee status in the U.S.
• Proof of physical presence in Utah from January 6th, 2020 to March 12th, 2020; August 24th, 2020 to September 26th, 2020; and October 12th, 2020 to November 25th, 2020 without exceeding 29 total days outside Utah during this time period. Acceptable documents include one of the following:
  o Enrollment in classes at a Utah institution. While spring 2020 enrollment must have been on campus to count, online enrollment has been approved to count for fall 2020. The residency office has access to students’ University of Utah enrollment. Students attending another institution may submit a transcript verifying their enrollment.
  o Paystubs or an employment or volunteer letter, on official letterhead, verifying employment or volunteer efforts in Utah.
  o Gym records, meal plan records, or official bank/credit card statements showing use/purchase in Utah at least once every four days.
• Single students under 24 years of age must provide proof of their financial independence for the 2019 federal tax year. Acceptable documents include one of the following:
  o A copy of student’s 2019 1040 form showing they cannot be claimed as a dependent.
  o A copy of parents’ 2019 1040 form showing the student is not claimed as a dependent.
  o An official letter from the tax accountant responsible for the 2019 return verifying the student’s independent status.
• Proof of Utah driver’s license, voter registration, and vehicle registration if applicable.
  o Students must establish these ties as part of the reclassification process. For the spring semester, these ties should be submitted to the residency office as soon as possible and no later than Friday, January 22nd.
• Currently attending graduate students must complete 40 graduate level semester hours prior to the start of spring semester. This requirement applies to graduate students only.

The spring 2021 residency application opened on September 15th on the residency webpage. The priority processing deadline will be on November 1st, 2020.* Spring residency applications will close on Friday, January 22nd, 2020. There are no exceptions to this deadline. Our office cannot guarantee a decision will be reached before tuition is due (Friday, January 29th) for all applications submitted after November 1st.

*Residency applications do not need to include all required documents unless submission takes place during the late petition period (January 15th to January 22nd). Applicants are able to submit additional documents through the Post Submission Form after their initial application submission. All required documents must be submitted for consideration by January 15th, 2020. The earlier students submit all documents, the earlier they receive their decision.

If there are additional circumstances preventing fulfillment of spring residency requirements, these applications and circumstances will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

If there are changes to class delivery modalities for spring 2021, residency granted decisions will be honored and additional policies for spring residency applications may be determined.

Summer 2021 and fall 2021 residency applications may have some requirements affected by COVID19. These updates will be posted as more information becomes available.

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