

University of Utah

Fall 2021 Residency Policy Updates*

Due to the impact of COVID-19, the University of Utah has determined the following requirements for students reclassifying for residency for the Fall 2021 semester under the Undergraduate and Graduate policies. *These policies are subject to change*; please monitor <http://admissions.utah.edu/residency> for updates. To qualify for residency reclassification, a student must:

- Be a U.S. citizen or have been granted permanent resident, asylum, or refugee status in the U.S.
- Provide proof of physical presence in Utah from August 24th, 2020 – August 23rd, 2021 without exceeding 29 total days outside Utah during this time period.
 - All forms of Fall 2020 enrollment (in-person and online) at Utah System of Higher Education institutions (USHE) will count towards proof of physical presence
 - All forms of Spring 2021 enrollment (in-person and online) at USHE institutions will count towards proof of physical presence
 - All forms of Summer 2021 enrollment (in-person and online) at USHE institutions will count towards proof of physical presence
 - The following dates are necessary for proof of physical presence:
 - August 24, 2020 – September 26, 2020
 - October 12, 2020 – November 25, 2020
 - January 19, 2021 – February 28, 2021
 - March 15, 2021 – August 23, 2021
 - The following date ranges **do not count** towards the 29 day out of state limit:
 - September 27, 2020 – October 11, 2020 (Fall 2020 instructional break)
 - November 26, 2020 – January 18, 2021
 - March 1, 2021 – March 14, 2021 (Spring 2021 instructional break)
- Single students under 24 years of age must provide proof of their financial independence for the 2020 federal tax year. Acceptable documents include one of the following:
 - A copy of student's 2020 1040 form showing they cannot be claimed as a dependent.
 - A copy of parents' 2020 1040 form showing the student is not claimed as a dependent.
 - An official signed letter on letterhead from a licensed CPA who will be preparing the 2020 federal tax return stating that the student will not be claimed as a dependent.
- Proof of Utah driver's license and voter registration, and vehicle registration if applicable. Students should plan to establish these ties by the May 1st 2021 domiciliary tie deadline.

- Students must establish these ties as part of the reclassification process. For the Fall 2021 semester, these ties should be submitted to the residency office as soon as possible and no later than Friday, August 27th.
- Currently attending graduate students must complete 40 graduate level semester hours prior to the start of fall semester. This requirement applies to graduate students only.

The Fall 2021 residency application opened on January 15th, 2021 on the residency webpage. The priority processing deadline will be on July 1st, 2021. Fall 2021 residency applications will close on Friday, August 20th, 2021. There are no exceptions to this deadline. Our office cannot guarantee a decision will be reached before tuition is due (Friday, September 3rd, 2021) for all applications submitted after July 1st, 2021.

Residency applications do not need to include all required documents at the time of submission, *unless* submission takes place during the late petition period (August 21st, 2021 to August 27th, 2021). 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 August 27th, 2021. The earlier a student submits all of the required documents, the earlier they will receive their decision.

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

**As of February 23rd, 2021.*

**These updates refer specifically to the Undergraduate and Graduate reclassification policies. For questions on other policies or exceptions, please contact our office.*

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