MIAMI DADE COLLEGE
Florida Resident for Tuition Affidavit

A Florida resident for tuition purposes is a person who has, or a dependent person whose parent or legal guardian has, established and maintained a legal residence in Florida for at least twelve months. Residence in Florida must be as a bona fide domicile rather than for the purpose of maintaining a residence incident to enrollment at an institution of higher education. To qualify as a Florida resident for tuition purposes, you must be a U.S. Citizen, permanent resident alien, or legal alien granted indefinite stay by the U.S. Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services. Other persons not meeting the twelve month legal residence requirement may be classified as Florida residents for tuition purposes only if they fall within one of the limited special categories authorized by the Florida Legislature. All other persons are ineligible for classification as a Florida resident for tuition purposes. Living primarily in Florida for twelve months will not, in itself, establish legal residence. Students who depend on out-of-state parents for support are presumed to be legal residents of the same state as their parents.

I. FLORIDA RESIDENTS

If NOT a Florida resident, proceed to section III. Students under 24 will classify as dependents unless able to prove otherwise. This section must be completed if you claim Florida residency for tuition purposes.

- Attach copies of documents required.
- Your social security number or driver's license number and vehicle registration must be submitted.
- A copy of the marriage certificate is required in all cases of spousal claiming residence.

Select above all that apply.

☐ A. I am an independent person and have maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months.

☐ B. I am a dependent person and my parent or legal guardian has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months.

☐ C. I am a dependent person who has resided for five years with an adult relative other than my parent or legal guardian, and my relative has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months. (Required: Copy of marriage certificate, claiming person's voter registration, driver's license and vehicle registration.)

☐ D. I am married to a person who has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months. I have now maintained legal residence and intend to make Florida my permanent home. (Required: Copy of marriage certificate, claiming person's voter registration, driver's license and vehicle registration.)

☐ E. I or my spouse previously resided at a Florida state institution in the last twelve months and are classified as a Florida resident for tuition purposes.

☐ F. According to the U.S. Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, I am a permanent resident alien, asylee or other legal alien or I hold a visa that establishes Florida residency and have maintained a domicile in Florida for at least 12 months. (Required: U.S. Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services documentation and proof of Florida residency status.)

☐ G. I am a member of the armed forces of the United States and stationed in Florida on active duty pursuant to military orders or a naval/civilians in whose home of record is Florida, or I am a member of a spouse or dependent child. (Required: Copy of military orders or DD214 form showing home of record.)

☐ H. I am a full-time instructional or administrative employee employed by a Florida public school, community college or institution of higher education, or I am the employee's spouse or dependent child. (Required: Copy of employment verification.)

☐ I. I am a part of the Latin American/Caribbean Scholarship program. (Required: Copy of scholarship papers)

☐ J. I am a participant in the Florida Prepaid College Program under the terms of the Florida Prepaid College Plan, and not otherwise eligible.

☐ K. I am living in Panama Canal Zone and have completed 12 consecutive months of college work at the F.S.U. Florida State University, or I am the student's spouse or dependent child. (Required: Copy of marriage certificate or proof of dependency.)

☐ L. I am a South Florida Education Board's Academic Common Market graduate student attending Florida State University. (Required: Certification letter from State Coordinator.)

☐ M. I am a full-time employee of a state agency or political subdivision of the state whose student fees are paid for by the state agency or political subdivision for the purpose of job-related law enforcement or corrections training.

☐ N. I am a Migrant Doctoral Fellow recipient or finalist who is a U.S. Citizen. (Required: Verification from graduate school.)

II. PERSON CLAIMING RESIDENCY SHOULD COMPLETE THIS SECTION IN FULL.

- Documents supporting the establishment of legal residence must be dated, issued, or filed 12 months before the first day of classes of the academic term for which a Florida resident classification is sought. All documentation is subject to verification.

- Additional documentation other than what is required above may be requested in some cases.

Please Print:

Name of Student:

Student Social Security Number:

3. Name of person claiming Florida residency:

4. Claimant's relationship to student:

5. Claimant's telephone number: ____________________________

6. Claimant's permanent legal address:

7. Date claimant began establishing legal Florida residence and domicile:

8. Claimant's voter registration:

9. Claimant's driver's license:

10. Claimant's vehicle registration:

11. Country of Citizenship:

12. Non-U.S. Citizen only:

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Need only 2 of 3 documents

Signature in ink of person claiming Florida residency

Date

13. Not Florida residents

I hereby swear or affirm that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the above statements are subject to penalties for making a false statement pursuant to 877.05, Florida statutes, and to 880.64, FL.185,

Signature in ink: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________
Information on Florida Residency for Tuition Classification

Students who are admitted to public-supported postsecondary educational institutions in Florida must complete an affidavit and provide proof of "Florida residency for tuition purposes" in accordance with state law.

1009.21, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and 6A-10.844, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.)

Non-U.S. citizen students and/or parents must provide evidence of eligible legal immigration status in the U.S. before being considered for Florida resident fees. Please check with the Registrar's Office for more specific information on the non-U.S. citizen categories that are eligible to be considered for in-state fees. International Students and non-U.S. citizens admitted into the United States with the following visas are NOT ELIGIBLE to pay Florida resident fees: B, C, D, F, H4 (if 21 or over), J, M, P and Q.

ALL DOCUMENTS SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FLORIDA RESIDENCY MUST BE DATED, ISSUED, OR FILED 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF THE TERM IN WHICH THE FLORIDA RESIDENCY FOR TUITION PURPOSES CLASSIFICATION IS REQUESTED. ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN THE 100% REFUND DATE FOR THE TERM IN WHICH FLORIDA RESIDENCY IS BEING REQUESTED, OR IT WILL APPLY FOR THE FOLLOWING TERM. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NAME(S) LISTED ON ALL DOCUMENTS MUST MATCH.

Students under the age of 24 are considered "dependent" automatically, unless proven otherwise (see below). Students age 24 and over are considered independent automatically, unless proven otherwise.

Students claiming to be independent AND under the age of 24 must provide one of the following proofs of financial independence:

- Proof of a sufficient income (excluding any Federal, state, and institutional aid or scholarships) from the previous year (check with the Registrar's Office for more information) and not be claimed by another person on their taxes (must show prior year taxes), or
- Have a dependent child and have received Florida state aid, or
- Show proof of marriage (marriage license), or
- Be a veteran of the United States military service (DD214 required), or
- Be classified as "independent" by the Financial Aid Office at Miami Dade College, or
- Be a ward of the state or Project Independence recipient

Please note that as per current Florida law, stepparents are not eligible to claim Florida residency on behalf of a dependent student. A "parent" is defined as the natural or adoptive parent or legal guardian (with a legal court document).

All students—including independent as well as dependent students and their parents—are required to submit the Florida residency affidavit and at least two of the below documents with the affidavit. All documents must be received within the 12-month qualifying period. At least one of these documents must be from the first group, and more than two documents may be requested. NOTE THAT NO SINGLE DOCUMENT SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE, AND ALL DOCUMENTATION IS SUBJECT TO VERIFICATION. EVIDENCE OF TIES TO ANOTHER STATE INVALIDATES THE ELIGIBILITY OF FLORIDA RESIDENCY CLASSIFICATION FOR TUITION PURPOSES.

First group (at least one of the two documents submitted must be from the first group)

- Florida driver's license (licenses from any other state must be relinquished)
- Florida identification card (if no evidence of ties to another state exists)
- Florida voter's registration card
- Florida vehicle registration
- Proof of purchase of a permanent home in Florida that is occupied as a primary residence of the claimant (e.g., warranty deed)
- Transcripts from a Florida high school for multiple years (if Florida high school diploma or GED was earned within the last 12 months)
- Proof of permanent full-time employment in Florida for at least 30 hours per week for a 12-month period. This may include paycheck stubs from the previous 12 consecutive months of work in Florida and/or a letter on official company letterhead from the employer verifying the previous 12 consecutive months of employment in Florida
- Proof of Homestead exemption in Florida

Second group (may be used in conjunction with one document from the first group)

- Declaration of domicile in Florida (12 months from the date the document was sworn and subscribed as noted by the Clerk of Circuit Court)
- A Florida professional or occupational license
- Florida incorporation
- Documents evidencing family ties in Florida
- Proof of membership in Florida-based charitable or professional organizations
- Any other documentation that supports the student's request for Florida resident status

Examples of "other" documentation from the second group:

- Lease agreement and proof of 12 consecutive months of payments (Ex: FLPGas/Water)
- Hunting/fishing licenses • Birth Certificate • Passport • Shopping club/rental cards

For students in state custody, the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) may facilitate residency determination by providing the college or university with documentation evidencing parental or legal guardian residence in Florida for the qualifying period. The DJJ Address Verification Form shall be considered acceptable documentation for residency determination in conjunction with additional information that demonstrates that the parent or legal guardian has maintained legal residence in this state for at least 12 months prior to the first day of classes of the term for which Florida residency-for-tuition purposes classification is sought. Students enrolling in colleges or universities that have tuition and fees exempt according to section 1009.25(2)(c), Florida Statutes, shall not be required to submit Florida residency documentation for tuition purposes.

THIS INFORMATION IS FOR INITIAL CLASSIFICATION ONLY. ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE AND DOCUMENTATION WILL BE REQUIRED FOR RECLASSIFICATION.

Except as otherwise stated in this summary, a person who is classified as a nonresident for tuition purposes may become eligible for reclassification as a resident for tuition purposes if that person (or, if that person is a dependent child, his or her parent) presents clear and convincing documentation that supports permanent legal residency in this state for at least 12 consecutive months rather than temporary residency for the purpose of pursuing an education, such as documentation of full-time permanent employment for the prior 12 consecutive months or the purchase of a home in this state and residence therein for the prior 12 consecutive months while not enrolled in an institution of higher education.

The above information serves as a summary of Florida law and related policies/procedures applied by Miami Dade College in determining eligibility of Florida residency for tuition purposes.

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