

ELIGIBILITY FOR

VIRGINIA IN-STATE TUITION



In-state tuition is the rate a student pays to attend an institution that is within their state of residence. This rate is often cheaper than the out of state cost. The most common way to receive in-state tuition is by establishing domicile. This means that you can prove that a specific state is your permanent home, in this case, Virginia! Students not able to prove domicile in Virginia can still receive the in-state tuition rate by meeting the requirements of one of the exceptions provided within the Code of Virginia:



A STUDENT WHO LIVES OUTSIDE VIRGINIA BUT WHO WORKS OR WHOSE PARENT WORKS IN VIRGINIA.



A STUDENT WHO IS ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY RESIDING WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.



A STUDENT WHO IS A VETERAN AND RESIDING WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.



A STUDENT WHO IS A SURVIVING SPOUSE AND RESIDING WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.



A STUDENT WHO IS A FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER RESIDING WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH FOR AT LEAST 90 DAYS.



A STUDENT WHO IS A REFUGEE OR HAS RECEIVED A SPECIAL IMMIGRANT VISA.



A STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN A DEGREE PROGRAM INCLUDED IN THE ACADEMIC COMMON MARKET.



A STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN CERTAIN FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS.



A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WHO IS IN A DUAL-ENROLLMENT PROGRAM AT A COMMUNITY COLLEGE.



A UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA'S (UVA) COLLEGE AT WISE STUDENT WHO RESIDES IN KENTUCKY AND WHO LIVES WITHIN 50 MILES OF UVA'S COLLEGE AT WISE.



A STUDENT ATTENDING COLLEGE THROUGH A SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THEIR EMPLOYER AND/OR ATTENDING INSTITUTION THAT MAY CHARGE A CONTRACT RATE HIGHER THAN THE IN-STATE TUITION RATE BUT LOWER THAN THE OUT-OF-STATE TUITION RATE.

To learn more about how your circumstances affect your eligibility to establish domicile, please contact the institution you plan to attend.