



Petition for Classification as In-State for Tuition Purposes

For information about Auburn University's Student Residency Tuition Policy please visit

<http://bulletin.auburn.edu/generalinformation/financialinformation/alabamaandnonalabamastudentpolicy/>

Financially Independent:

A financially independent person is someone who, at the time of applying for residency:

1. Was not claimed as a dependent on anyone else's federal or state tax return for the previous tax year and will not be claimed for the current tax year; and
2. Did not receive financial support (cash or non-cash) from another person during the previous calendar year and will not receive support during the current calendar year.

Financially Dependent:

A financially dependent person is someone who, at the time of applying for residency, was claimed as a dependent on another person's federal and state income tax return for the previous tax year.

Military Qualification: Students may qualify if they:

- Are active-duty service members stationed in Alabama,
- Are the dependent of an active-duty service member stationed in Alabama, or
- Are receiving qualifying military education benefits

Filing Instructions

<i>2026 Terms</i>	<i>Applications Open</i>	<i>Deadline to Submit</i>	<i>Term Dates</i>
<i>Fall Term (Incoming Freshman)</i>	<i>October 1,2025</i>	<i>July 1,2026</i>	<i>08/17/2026-12/11/2026</i>
<i>Fall Term (All other students)</i>	<i>April 1, 2026</i>	<i>July 1,2026</i>	<i>08/17/2026-12/11/2026</i>
<i>Spring Term</i>	<i>October 1,2026</i>	<i>December 15,2026</i>	<i>01/06/2027-04/30/2027</i>
<i>Summer Term</i>	<i>March 1,2027</i>	<i>May 1,2027</i>	<i>05/17/2027-08/06/2027</i>

- Petitions will not be considered for previous terms.
- Petitions for reclassification will only be accepted after student has been accepted to the university and an enrollment deposit has been paid.
- All document submissions will be made securely through the application portal.
- Do not email, mail, or hand deliver your application to the Office of the Registrar.
- It is the responsibility of the student to redact social security and bank account numbers from documents. You may NOT redact financial information from taxes or banking/credit card statements.

Documentation needed to upload for persons claiming in-state tuition as an Independent Alabama student:

1. A clear and complete statement from the student, covering facts and circumstances that, in your opinion, establish your legal residence in Alabama, including your purpose in coming to Alabama
2. Letter(s) of employment containing the following: Dates of employment, total hours worked per week, supervisor's name, and contact information.
 - * For the purposes of residency - Auburn University considers full time as 35 hours or more per week.
3. Copy of your most recent state tax return (for all states, all pages). Tax forms should be for the year prior to the beginning of the term for which resident classification is sought.
4. Copy of your most recent federal tax return (all pages). Tax forms should be for the year prior to the beginning of the term for which resident classification is sought.
5. Copy of most recent W2 statements. Statement should be for the year prior to the beginning of the term for which resident classification is sought.
6. Copies of your last 12 months of paystubs.
7. Copy of your Alabama driver's license.
8. Copy of your Alabama vehicle registration.
9. Proof of your Alabama Voter's Registration
10. Personal checking statements and/or credit card statements showing transactions for the past 12 months and with your Alabama address listed on statements.
11. Copy of your warranty deed or lease(s) for the past 12 months.
12. Budget Sheet
13. If you are under age 24: Copy of the first two pages of your parents' federal and state tax returns for the most recent tax year. Tax forms should be for the year prior to the beginning of the term for which resident classification is sought.

STUDENT BUDGET- Please provide annual figures.

Budget should reflect the past 12 months' income//expenses to demonstrate financial independence. If you do not have income or an expense in each category, please enter 0.

INCOME

Salary (Self/Spouse) after tax	0
Bonuses	0
Savings	0
Interests earned	0
Investment/dividend income	0
Financial aid (total-itemized below)	0
Grants	0
Scholarships	0
Federal Loans	0
Private loans- with/without co-signer (Circle)	0
Parent (PLUS) loans	0
INCOME SUBTOTAL	0

EXPENSES

Tuition	0
Fees	0
Books	0
Rent/mortgage	0
Water/Sewer	0
Electricity	0
Cable/internet	0
Waste disposal	0
Car payments	0
Debt Payments (Credit cards, etc.)	0
Gasoline	0
Childcare	0
Auto Insurance	0
Home/Rent Insurance	0
Entertainment/recreation	0
Household supplies	0
Health Insurance (medical, dental, vision)	0
Food/groceries	0
Clothing	0
Student Loan Payments	0
Personal care (haircuts, nails, etc.)	0
Vacation/travel	0
Pet care	0
Other	0
EXPENSES SUBTOTAL	0

INCOME minus EXPENSES	0
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Documentation needed to upload for persons claiming in-state tuition as a Dependent Alabama student:

1. A clear and complete statement from the student, covering facts and circumstances that, in your opinion, establish your legal domicile in Alabama

Both Parents' documents

2. Letter of both parents' employment showing start date, full time, or part time status, and withholding Alabama taxes.
3. Copy of your most recent state tax return (for all state all pages). Tax forms should be for the year prior to the beginning of the term for which resident classification is sought.
4. Copy of your most recent federal tax return (all pages). Tax forms should be for the year prior to the beginning of the term for which resident classification is sought.
5. Copy of parents' W2 forms for the most recent tax year.
6. Copy of parents' last twelve (12) months of earnings statement.
7. Copy of the first page of parents' warranty deed and/or lease(s) for the past 12 months.
8. Copy of both parents' Alabama driver 's license.
9. Copy of your parents' vehicle registration.
10. Proof of parents' Alabama Voter's Registration.
11. Marriage License if residency is based on spouse. (if applicable)
12. If parents are divorced, documents for the parent that is an Alabama resident is required and the divorce decree showing full or joint custody.

Documentation needed to upload for persons claiming an In-State Waiver Per Active Duty Military Orders

1. A clear and complete statement from the student, covering facts and circumstances that, in your opinion, establish your legal domicile in Alabama.
2. Copy of your or your parents' most recent LES, showing Alabama as a state of residence.
3. Copy of your or your parents' most recent Permanent Change of Station orders.
4. Copy of your most recent state tax return (for all states, all pages). Tax forms should be for the year prior to the beginning of the term for which resident classification is sought.
5. Copy of your most recent federal tax return (for all states, all pages). Tax forms should be for the year prior to the beginning of the term for which resident classification is sought.

Documentation needed to upload for persons claiming an In-State Waiver Per use of Military Benefits

1. Copy of your Certificate of Eligibility (COE) showing military benefits.
2. Proof of domicile (Lease, Housing Assignment, or Alabama Driver's License)

Documentation needed to upload for persons who attended all four years of an Alabama high school and have since attended an out-of-state institution (either as a dependent or independent student).

1. A clear and complete statement from the student, covering facts and circumstances that, in your opinion, establish your legal domicile in Alabama.
2. Copy of your high school transcript (if not already submitted to Auburn)
3. Letter from out-of-state or online institution/s stating:
 - You were considered a non-resident during your attendance or that they are a private institution and do not differentiate between residents and non-residents for tuition purposes.
 - Your permanent address on file at their school during your attendance.
4. Copy of your current Alabama driver's license

Documentation needed to upload for persons claiming in-state tuition as an Auburn, AUM or State of Alabama Employee (either as a dependent or independent student).

1. A clear and complete statement from the student, covering facts and circumstances that outline your request for in-state tuition under your or your parents' employment status.
2. Copy of your current driver's license
3. AUM and Alabama State Employees will need to submit letters of employment showing start date, full time, and withholding of Alabama taxes. Auburn University employees are exempt from this requirement.
4. Marriage License if residency is based on spouse.
5. If based on a parent, copy of your parents' Alabama State Tax Return claiming you as a dependent.