ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY FOR TUITION PURPOSES

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What is Residency?

 Residency for <u>tuition</u> purposes is a factor in determining a student's mandatory registration fees.

 Students who are considered California
 Residents for tuition purposes do not pay the Nonresident Supplemental Tuition.

Who is a Resident?

- A student seeking resident classification has the burden of proof that they satisfy the 'Big Three' criteria of:
 - 1. Physical Presence
 - 2. Intent
 - 3. Financial Independence
- The Residence Determination date is the first day of instruction for a given semester.

Fall 2017 begins: Wed August 23, 2017.

Fall 2018 begins: Wed August 22, 2018.

IMMIGRATION

- Can a non-US citizen be a resident?
 - Yes, unless that person's immigration status prevents them from establishing legal residence in the United States.

 For a list of visas and immigration statuses that are eligible for establishing residency go to: http://registrar.berkeley.edu/tuition-fees-residency/residencytuition-purposes/immigration

1. Physical Presence Steps to establish residency

1. Physical Presence

- Be physically present continuously in California for at least 366 days prior to the RDD of August 22, 2018.
 - When establishing physical presence in the first year, please note that absences that exceed a CUMULATIVE TOTAL of 6 weeks will deem you ineligible for residency. Some exceptions may include: approved internships or departmental research.

1. Physical Presence Steps to establish residency

STEPS:

- a) **ARRIVAL DATE**: Save your plane ticket stubs, itineraries, receipts from your arrival into CA.
- b) **NON-ACADEMIC PERIODS**: Make sure that you are not out of California for *more than six (6) weeks total* in the upcoming year, including winter, spring, summer breaks. (Exception for research/academic reasons.)

1. Physical Presence: 366 days

DOCUMENTS WE WILL REQUEST:

 Assuming you are enrolled for both fall and spring semesters...

a) Arrival Date documents include:

- Plane tickets, flight confirmations, receipts, bank or credit card statements
- Keep receipts/bank/credit card statements & pay stubs for non-academic periods.
 Statements must include your name – no joint accounts.

1. Physical Presence: 366 days

DOCUMENTS WE WILL REQUEST (cont.):

- b) **Summer 2018** physical presence documents include:
- California employment offer
- Summer Session registration
- Letter from your department verifying academic/research for the summer
- Letter from your supervisor verifying your employment for the summer
 - Internships or employment in your home state will be highly scrutinized!

1. Physical Presence: 366 days

DOCUMENTS WE WILL REQUEST (cont.):

b) **Summer 2018** physical presence documents include:

- Credit/ATM card statements
 - Make sure they have your name and clear transactions made in CA
- Pay stubs

We do not accept...

- Joint accounts
- Leases
- Letters from friends and family
- Utility Bills
- Cell Phone Bills
- Cash receipts
- Any items which neither identify you or place you in California at that particular time.

2. Intent Steps to establish CA residency

2. Intent

- Take steps to demonstrate your intent to make California your permanent home. One must also relinquish all legal ties to past place of residence.
- The union or concurrence of physical presence and intent is necessary to be classified as a CA resident.
- Steps must be taken before the end of your first term at UC Berkeley, or you will be ineligible to establish residency. However, we recommend you take steps within 30 days of arrival.

2. Intent Steps to establish CA residency

STEPS:

- a) RELINQUISH OUT-OF-STATE INTENT & ACQUIRE CALIFORNIA INTENT: Go to the DMV (in-person or schedule an appointment online at dmv.ca.gov) WITHIN 30 DAYS of arriving in California.
- b) **TAXES**: We recommend that you file 2017 part-year state tax returns

2017 California Taxes: 540NR Long Form

California Nonresident or Part-Year Resident Income Tax Return Long I	orm	540NR					
Fiscal year filers only: Enter month of year end: month year 2016. Your first name Initial Last n	Suffix	Your SSN or ITIN					
If joint tax return, spouse's/RDP's first name	Suffix	Spouse's/RDP's SSN or ITIN					
Additional information (See instructions)		PBA code RP					
Street address (number and street) or PO box		Apt. no./ste. no. PMB/private mailbox					
City (If you have a foreign address, see instructions)		State ZIP code					
Foreign country name Foreign province/state/county		Foreign postal code					
● Your DOB (mm/dd/yyyy)/ ● Spouse's/RDP's DOB (mm/dd/yyyy)/							
If you filed your 2014 tax return under a different last name, write the last name only from the 2014 tax return. Taxpayer Taxpayer Spouse/RDP							
1 Single 2 Married/RDP filing jointly. See inst. 5 Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child. Enter year spouse/RDP died 3 Married/RDP filing separately. Enter spouse's/RDP's SSN or ITIN above and full name here If your California filing status is different from your federal filing status, check the box here							
6 If someone can claim you (or your spouse/RDP) as a dependent, check the box here.	See inst	● 6□					

2017 California Taxes: 540NR Schedule

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Part I Residency I	nformation. Complete all li	nes that apply to you an	d your spouse/RDP f	or taxable year 2015.		
During 2015:						
1 My California (CA)	Residency (Check one)					
a Myself: 💿 .	Nonresident 💿	Part-Year Resident	Resident			
b Spouse: .	Nonresident 💿	Part-Year Resident	Resident			
			_	Yourself		Spouse/RDP
2 a I was domiciled	in (enter two letter code, se	e instructions)	(•	
b I was in the mil	itary and stationed in (enter	two letter code)	(•	
3 I became a CA res	dent (enter state of prior res	idence and date (mm/dd	l/yy) of move) (0/	·/ •	///
4 I became a CA nor	resident (enter new state of	residence and date (mm	/dd/yy) of move).	D/	·/ •	///
5 I was a CA nonres	dent the entire year (enter s	tate of residence)	(•	
6 The number of day	s I spent in CA for any purp	ose was:	(_		
7 I owned a home/p	roperty in CA (enter Y for Ye	s, N for No)	(_ •	_
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2. Legal Indicia of Intent

DOCUMENTS WE WILL REQUEST:

- All state and federal tax returns for 2017
 - You may file a CA Part-Year Resident tax form (540NR) your first year; Schedule 540NR indicates your dates in California
 - If you earned income out-of-state before your arrival, we recommend filing a part-year resident return in your previous state.
- W2s for all of 2017 (including your previous state of residence & spouse/partner)

2. Legal Indicia of Intent

DOCUMENTS WE WILL REQUEST (CONT.):

- CA Driver's License or state ID card.
- CA Vehicle registration (if you own a vehicle).
- If you vote: CA Voter's registration (copy of voter's reg card, screenshot of online voter reg status, etc.)
- Using a California permanent address on all records.

3. Financial Independence requirement is satisfied if

 You were born in 1994 or earlier (you turn 24 years of age in 2018)

OR

 You are financially dependent on your natural or adoptive parent(s) who are California residents

OR

3. Financial Independence requirement is satisfied if

 You were not claimed as an income tax deduction by any individual other than spouse or domestic partner for the 2017 tax year

OR

 You are employed at UC 49% or more time (or awarded the equivalent in University-administered funds) in Fall Semester 2018

Financial Independence (FI)

Steps to satisfy FI

- If you were born in 1994 or earlier = EXEMPT
- If you were born in 1995 or LATER:
 - Make sure your parents do NOT claim you as a tax exemption on their 2017 taxes.
 - Proof from your department that you were funded at least 49% or more in either employment or awarded the equivalent in university-administered funds.

Self Claimed

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If a joint return, spouse's first name and initial Last name					Spouse's social security number				
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City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. If you have a foreign address, also complete spaces below (see instructions).						Presidential Election Campaign Check here if you, or your spouse if filing			
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To Summarize

- Residency for tuition purposes is established by the union of:
 - □ 1. Physical Presence
 - □ 2. Intent
 - □ 3. Financial Independence

APPLYING FOR RESIDENCY

- Begin establishing your California intent and relinquishing all out of state intent ASAP within 30 days
- 2. File 2017 taxes (including part-year state tax return) ON TIME!

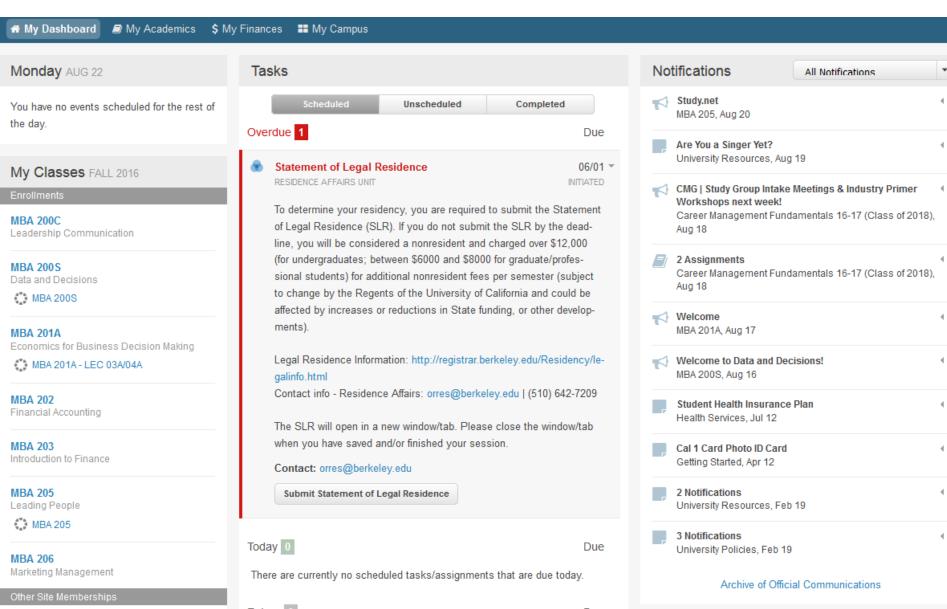
- 3. Submit your Statement of Legal Residence (SLR) beginning March 1, 2018, deadline July 1, 2018.
 - CAL CENTRAL (Tasks or Notifications)

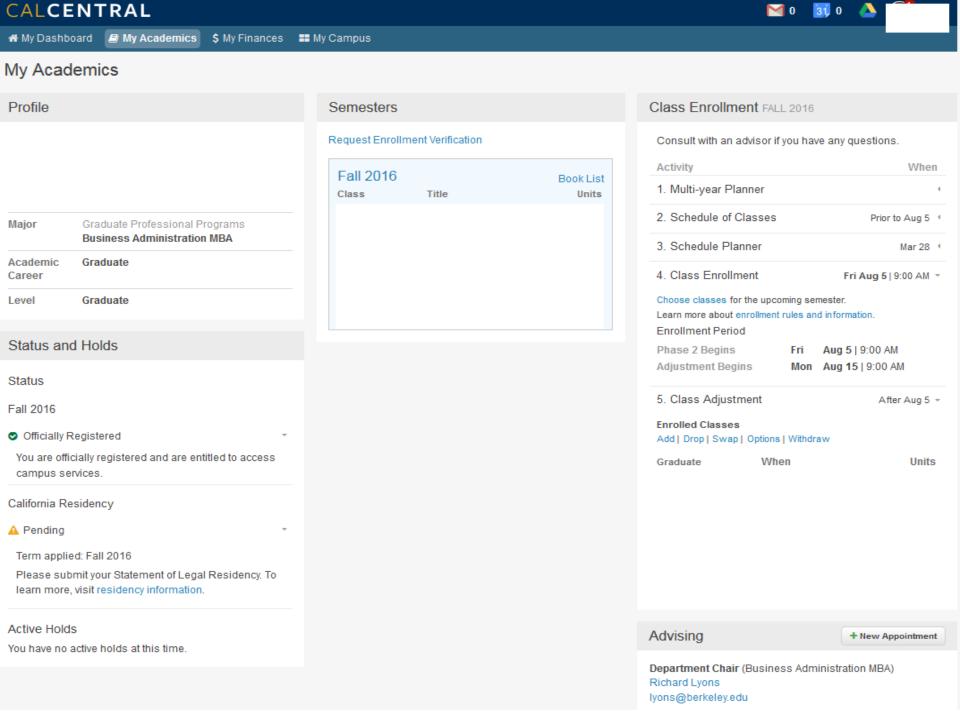
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- Upload all requested documents at Cal Central. Redact account # and SSN only (we need to see amounts especially on taxes/W2s)
- 5. Submit all documents before June, if possible.

6. 2-3 weeks approximate wait time for residency determination.

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APPLYING FOR RESIDENCY

IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT SLR OR DOCUMENTS YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR NON-RESIDENT TUITION

Documents we will ask for:

- CA Driver's License or State ID
- Vehicle Registration
- Voter's Registration
- State/FederalTaxes
- W2s

- Arrival documents
- Summer 2018 whereabouts
- IF born in 1995 or later:
 - Evidence that you were not claimed on anyone's taxes OR
 - Proof of 49% or more funding by university

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