



MINNESOTA RESIDENT CLASSIFICATION

Students may be classified as a non-resident upon admission to Minnesota State University, Mankato, but have special circumstances that qualify them for resident status. Please read the following qualifications and complete a [Residency Classification Request Form](#) if any of them apply. Contact the [Registrar's Office](#) if you have questions.

The basic qualification: A person must reside in Minnesota for at least 12 months, AND during that time have NOT been in the state solely or primarily for the purpose of attending a college or university.

Domicile is a person's true, fixed, and permanent living place. Domicile is the place to which a person intends to return after temporary absences. A person may have only one domicile at a time.

In order to demonstrate the above, the student must submit documentation or evidence of any of following factors (the existence of one of these factors is neither sufficient nor necessary to form the basis for a decision):

- Continuous presence in Minnesota between academic terms or other periods when not enrolled as a student
- Registration as a voter in Minnesota
- Ownership of a home in Minnesota
- Domicile of the student's spouse in Minnesota
- Registration of the student's automobile in Minnesota
- For a dependent student, domicile in Minnesota of the student's parent or legal guardian
- Evidence of intention to acquire a domicile in Minnesota
- Sources of the student's financial support are generated in Minnesota
- An offer of employment in Minnesota to begin after the student's projected date of college or university graduation

In addition, the following students will also be considered Minnesota residents after documenting their situation:

- Minnesota residents temporarily absent from the state without establishing residency elsewhere.
- Individuals who moved to Minnesota to accept permanent, full-time employment or were relocated to Minnesota by their employer prior to moving and before applying for admission to Minnesota State University, Mankato OR relocated to Minnesota by an employer OR the spouse or dependent of such a person.

Following are other conditions by which non-residents can receive the in-state tuition rate:

- A veteran (or the spouse or dependent of a veteran) who lives in Minnesota and served or is currently serving in the armed forces. A graduate student veteran no longer on active duty must have been a Minnesota resident upon entering the military and released from such service no more than two years before applying for admission to Minnesota State University, Mankato.
- A student who has been in Minnesota as a migrant farm worker, as defined in the Code of Federal Regulations, title 20, section 633.104, for at least two years immediately prior to admission or readmission to a Minnesota public postsecondary institution, or students who are dependents of such migrant farm workers.
- A Minnesota high school graduate who was a Minnesota resident while attending that high school AND is physically attending Minnesota State University, Mankato.
- A student who is recognized as a refugee or asylee by the Office of Refugee Resettlement of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

The above policy is based on the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board Policy 2.2 State Residency. To review this policy, go to: <http://www.mnscu.edu/board/policy/202.html>.

Submit the [Residency Classification Request Form](#) and documentation to the Office of the Registrar, Minnesota State University, Mankato, 132 Wigley Administration Center, Mankato, MN 56001. The form must be submitted by the last day of the term for which the classification request is made.

Note to international students: Please complete the Immigrant/Non-Immigrant Intent Form, have it signed by the international student office, and submit it with this form.

Please see the [Admissions scholarship page](#) for information on in-state tuition scholarships.

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