

Core Residency Questions

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Rule 21.731 requires each student applying to enroll at an institution to respond to a set of core residency questions for the purpose of determining the student's eligibility for classification as a resident

Part A. Student Basic Information. **All students must complete this section.**

Name: _____

Previous Name (if any): _____

Date of Birth: _____ Student ID Number: _____

Part B. Previous Enrollment. **All students must complete this section.**

1. During the past 12 months, did you attend a public college or university in Texas?

Yes ___ No ___

If you answered **no**, please go on to **Part C**.
If you answered **yes**, complete questions **2-5**.

2. What Texas public institution did you last attend? (Give full name, not just initials.)

3. In which terms were you last enrolled? (Check all that apply.)

___ Fall, 200___ ___ Spring, 200___

4. During your last semester at a Texas public institution, did you pay resident (in-state) or nonresident (out-of-state) tuition in your last term or semester at that institution?

___ Resident (in-state) ___ Non-Resident (out-of-state) ___ Unknown

5. If you paid in-state tuition at your last institution, was it because you were a Texas resident or because you were a nonresident who received a waiver?

___ Resident ___ Non-Resident ___ Unknown

Note: If you were enrolled at a **public** institution during either the fall or spring semester within the previous 12 months and were classified as a resident, **skip to Part I**, sign and date this form and submit it to your institution. Otherwise, proceed to **Part C**.

Part C. Residency Claim. **All students must complete this section.**

Are you a resident of Texas? Yes ___ No ___

If you answered **yes**, continue to **Part D**

If you answered **no**, complete the following question and continue to **Part I**

Of what state or country are you a resident? _____

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Resident ___ Non-Resident ___ Staff Signature _____

Notes (if applicable) _____

Part D. Acquisition of High School Diploma or GED.

	Yes	No
1. Did you graduate from high school or complete a GED in TX?		
2. Did you live in TX the 36 months leading up to high school graduation or completion of the GED?		
3. When you begin the semester for which you are applying, will you have lived in TX for the previous 12 months?		
4. Are you a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident? (Permanent Residents , please submit a copy of both sides of your permanent resident card.)		

If you answered **yes** to question 1, what was the name and city of your high school?

Instructions to Part D:

- ◆ If you answered **no** to question 1, 2 or 3, go to **Part E**.
- ◆ If you answered **yes** to all four questions, go to **Part I**.
- ◆ If you answered **yes** to questions 1, 2, and 3, but **no** to question 4,
 - * Complete a copy of the **Affidavit** and provide it as an attachment to this form
 - * Complete **Part I** of this form
 - * **Submit** both forms to the Office of Admissions

Part E. Basis of Claim to Residency. To be completed by everyone who did not answer yes to questions 1, 2 and 3 of Part D.

1. Do you file your own federal income tax as an independent tax payer? Yes____ No____
2. Are you claimed as a dependent or are you eligible to be claimed as a dependent by a parent or court-appointed legal guardian? *
(To be eligible to be claimed as a dependent, your parent or legal guardian must provide at least one half of your support.)
Yes____ No____
3. If you answered no to both questions above, who provides the majority of your support?
Self____ Parent or Guardian*____ Other (list)_____

*Students basing claim of residency on a guardian must provide documentation of court-appointed guardianship.

Instructions to Part E:

- ◆ If you answered **yes** to question 1, go to **Part F**.
- ◆ If you answered **yes** to question 2, go to **Part G**.
- ◆ If you answered **no** to 1 and 2 and self to question 3, go to **Part F**.
- ◆ If you answered **no** to 1 and 2 and parent or guardian to question 3, go to **Part G**.
- ◆ If you answered **no** to 1 and 2 and other to question 3, go to **Part H** and provide an explanation.

Part F. Questions for students who answered Yes to Question 1 or Self to Question 3 of Part E

	Yes	No	Mo.	Year	Visa/ Status
1. Are you a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident of the U.S.? (Permanent Residents , please submit a copy of both sides of your permanent resident card.)					
2. Are you a foreign national whose application for Permanent Resident Status has been approved? (For this to be true you should have received fee/filing receipt or Notice of Action (I-797) from USCIS showing your I-485 has been approved).					
3. Are you a foreign national here with a visa or are you a Refugee, Asylee, Parolee or here under Temporary Protective Status? If so, indicate which.					
4. Do you currently live in Texas? If you are out of state due to a temporary assignment by your employer, please explain in Part H.					
5. a. When did you last move to Texas?			(month)	(year)	
b. What is your main purpose for being in Texas? If for reasons not provided, give an explanation in Part H.	Go to college <input type="checkbox"/>	Home maintenance/ establishment <input type="checkbox"/>	Work assignment <input type="checkbox"/>		
6. a. If you are a member of the U.S. military, is Texas your Home of Record?					
b. Is Texas listed as your military legal residence for tax purposes on your Leave and Earnings Statement?					

	Yes	No
7. Do any of the following apply to you? (Check all that apply)		
a. Hold the title to real property (home, land) in Texas? If yes, date acquired: _____		
b. Own a business in Texas? If yes, date acquired: _____		
c. Hold a state or local license to conduct a business or practice a profession in TX? If yes, date acquired: _____		
8. For the past 12 months, have you: (Check all that apply)		
a. been gainfully employed in TX?		
b. received services from a social service agency that provides services to homeless persons?		
9. Are you married to a person who could answer yes to any part of question 7 or 8?		
If yes, indicate which question could be answered yes by your spouse.	Question:	
If yes, how long have you been married to the Texas Resident?	Months/Years	

Part G. Questions for students who answered Parent or Legal Guardian to Question 3 of Part E.

	Yes	No	Mo.	Year	Visa/ Status
1. Is the parent or legal guardian upon whom you base your claim of residency a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident? (Permanent Residents , please submit a copy of both sides of your permanent resident card).					
2. Is this parent or legal guardian a foreign national whose application for Permanent Resident Status has been approved? (For this to be true you should have received fee/filing receipt or Notice of Action (I-797) from USCIS showing your I-485 has been approved).					
3. Is this parent or legal guardian a foreign national here with a visa or a Refugee, Asylee, Parolee or here under Temporary Protective Status? If so, indicate which.					
4. Does this parent or legal guardian currently live in Texas? If he or she is out of state due to a temporary assignment by his/her employer, please explain in Part H.					
5. a. If he or she is currently living in Texas, how long has he or she been living here?			(month)	(year)	
b. What is your parent's or legal guardian's main purpose for being in the state? If for reasons not provided, give an explanation in Part H.	Go to college <input type="checkbox"/>		Home maintenance / establishment <input type="checkbox"/>		Work assignment <input type="checkbox"/>
6. a. If he or she is a member of the U.S. military, is Texas his or her Home of Record?					
b. Is Texas listed as his or her military legal residence for tax purposes on his or her Leave and Earnings Statement?					

	Yes	No
7. Do any of the following apply to your parent or guardian? (Check all that apply)		
a. Holds the title to real property (home, land) in Texas? If yes, date acquired: _____		
b. Owns a business in Texas? If yes, date acquired: _____		
c. Holds a state or local license to conduct a business or practice a profession in TX? If yes, date acquired: _____		
8. For the past 12 months, has your parent or guardian: (Check all that apply)		
a. been gainfully employed in TX?		
b. received services from a social service agency that provides services to homeless persons?		

Part H. General Comments

Is there any additional information that you believe we should know in evaluating your eligibility to be classified as a resident? If so, please provide it below.

Part I. Certification of Residency

All students must complete this section.

I understand that officials of the Office of Admissions at West Texas A&M University will use the information submitted on this form to determine my status for residency eligibility. I authorize West Texas A&M University to verify the information I have provided. I agree to notify the proper officials of the institution of any changes in the information provided. I certify that the information on this application is complete and correct and I understand that the submission of false information is grounds for rejection of my application, withdrawal of any offer of acceptance, cancellation of enrollment, or appropriate disciplinary action.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please remember to include additional documentation as requested by this form.



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