Florida Residency For Tuition Purposes

This notice summarizes the provisions of 240.1201 Florida Statutes, BOR Rule 6C-7.05 and University Policy/Procedure concerning Florida Residency for tuition purposes.

In determining residency classification, students fall into one of two categories. They are either independent students (students not claimed on parent’s or legal guardian’s federal income tax statement or whose parents do not provide 50% or more of their support) or dependent students (students, regardless of age, who are claimed as dependents by parent or legal guardian on federal income tax statement or whose parents provide 50% or more of their support).

The law basically requires that a U.S. citizen/permanent resident alien/independent student or a dependent student’s parent/legal guardian has established and maintained a LEGAL Florida residence for at least twelve (12) months before the first day of classes of the term for which Florida residency status is sought.

USF is required to obtain documentation of 12 months’ legal residency before a student is classified as a Florida resident for tuition purposes. A student is required to request Florida residency in writing and submit supporting documents no later than the fifth day of classes in the term for which classification is sought.

The following is acceptable, nonconclusive evidence of the establishment of a legal residence in Florida. At least one such document must be dated/issued at least 12 months before the first day of classes of the term for which Florida residency is sought.

1. Proof of purchase of permanent home in Florida.
2. Declaration of Domicile.
3. Florida's driver's license.
4. Florida voter's registration.
5. Florida vehicle registration.
6. Florida vehicle title.
7. Professional/occupational license in Florida.
8. Florida incorporation or other evidence of legal residence in Florida.

PLEASE NOTE: Rent receipts, leases, employment records, tax returns, school/college records are NOT evidence of establishing a legal Florida residence. Students who are dependent on out-of-state parents or who come to Florida for educational purposes are generally ineligible for reclassification to Florida status.

In rare cases, the law allows some students (e.g., military, public school teachers, etc.) who do not meet the basic requirements to be classified as Florida residents for tuition purposes. For more information about exceptional categories, contact the Admissions Office, the Office of the Registrar, or the Office of the General Counsel.

Fees

The levels of the Activity and Service Fee, the Health Fee, and the Athletic fee are determined on each campus by a student fee committee appointed by the President of the University and the Student Government President. The committee includes USF faculty and students with the majority of the committee being students. The fees may be reviewed on a yearly basis.

The following fee schedule applies to all USF students with the exception of those in the Bachelor of Independent Studies, External Degree Program. For information on the BIS Program fees see paragraph 2b below.

Registration fees are assessed in accordance with Board of Regents rules. All fees are subject to change without prior notice. The University will make every effort to advertise any such changes if they occur.

1. Initial Application Fee
   (Each application - not refundable) $20.00
2. Tuition
   Schedule/fee Statements are no longer mailed. Tuition is due by the fifth day of each term. To find out the amount of the

Total tuition (the amount will not reflect any payments made on the account), students can bring a photo ID to the Registration HelpDesk located in the Registrar's Lobby, SVC 1034, and request a Registration Confirmation which will reflect total tuition and fees.

The student is responsible for paying fees in full by the appropriate due date stated in the particular term’s "Schedule of Classes." Failure to do so may result in cancellation of the student’s registration. Fees paid by mail must be postmarked by the post office, not office meter stamped, on or before the fifth day of the term. Checks are payable to USF.

To avoid a $50.00 late payment fee, all tuition fees must be paid or postmarked by the U.S. Post Office, not office metered, by the fifth day of the term. The University cannot be responsible for lost or misdirected U.S. Postal mail.

A student whose registration has been cancelled may request registration reinstatement through the fourth week of class for the academic term. Upon approval for reinstatement, all fees and other debts owed to the University must be paid in full by cash, money order, or cashier’s check before reinstatement will be affected.

a. Spring 2001 Tuition Fee Structure

Tuition Fees are estimated only/subject to change. Tuition Fees are assessed by course level, not student classification.

Campus/Course Level Resident Non-Resident

Tampa Campus:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $78.45/hr $323.04/hr
5000-Over Graduate $154.92/hr $533.68/hr

Tampa OU & Off Campus Credit Courses:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $73.39/hr $317.98/hr
5000-Over Graduate $149.86/hr $528.62/hr

St. Petersburg Campus:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $70.55/hr $315.14/hr
5000-Over Graduate $147.02/hr $525.78/hr

St. Petersburg OU & Off Campus Credit Courses:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $69.95/hr $314.54/hr
5000-Over Graduate $146.42/hr $525.18/hr

New College - Sarasota:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $73.74/hr $318.33/hr

Sarasota Campus:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $70.67/hr $313.26/hr
5000-Over Graduate $147.14/hr $525.90/hr

Sarasota: OU & Off Campus Credit Courses:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $68.67/hr $315.26/hr
5000-Over Graduate $145.14/hr $523.90/hr

Lakeland Campus:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $66.00/hr $300.88/hr
5000-Over Graduate $142.26/hr $521.02/hr

Lakeland: OU & Off Campus Credit Courses:
0001-4999 Undergraduate $65.79/hr $301.38/hr
5000-Over Graduate $142.62/hr $521.02/hr

*See "Resident Status," above

Flat Fees:
Tampa Campus $17.00
Regional Campuses $5.00

NOTE:
(1) There is no ceiling (maximum) on the amount which a student may be assessed for a single term.
(2) A lab fee of $8.00 to $15.00 is charged on certain courses. Please consult your class schedule to locate the courses that require the fee and the amount of fee that applies to the course.
(5) Students who only register for a co-op assignment must pay a minimum of one (1) hour at the level of the co-op assignment.

(4) Cashier's Office Hours - Regular Registration - See regular registration dates and times in "Schedule of Classes." Regular Cashier's Office hours are Monday, Thursday, Friday from 9:00am - 5:00pm and Tuesday, Wednesday from 10:00am - 6:00pm.

(5) Tuition fee payment should be mailed to:
Tuition/Purchasing and Financial Services
University of South Florida, ADM 147
4202 E. Fowler Avenue
Tampa, Florida 33620-5800

b. Estimated Bachelor of Independent Studies Fees

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*Fees do not include books, on-campus seminars, housing or food service and may change without notice.

8. Tuition Deferment for VA Students

Students receiving VA benefits who have applied in writing no later than the date specified in the "Schedule of Classes" for the deferment in Veterans Services have until a specified date (see Schedule of Classes) to pay tuition in full.

9. Florida Prepaid College Program

Students who are eligible to receive benefits under this program are responsible for the local portion of fees. These fees per credit hour are:
$19.32 Tampa Campus
$11.54 Sarasota Campus
$11.42 St. Petersburg Campus
$6.66 Lakeland Campus
$14.26 Tampa YOU
$9.54 Sarasota YOU

The fee must be paid or postmarked by the fifth day of the term to avoid being cancelled or charged the $50.00 late payment fee.

10. Mailed Payments

To avoid cancellation of registration or a $50.00 Late Payment Fee, all fee payments must be postmarked by the post office not office metered, by the applicable fee payment deadline listed in the Academic Calendar.

11. Returned Registration Checks

A student's current registration is subject to cancellation if the check presented in payment of those fees is returned to the University unpaid. Dishonor fee payment checks must be redeemed within 10 calendar days to avoid cancellation of a student's current registration. A $50.00 Late Payment Fee and a $15.00 administrative charge will be assessed on any registration check returned unpaid to the University.

12. 2000/2001 Room Rent for Double and Single Occupancy

Room rent is paid in accordance with information in the Student Housing Contract.

**Double Occupancy**

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13. Meal Plans 2000-2001*

Meal Plan Selections for New Residents

(All students who have not lived in the residence halls prior to the 1999-2000 academic year are required to purchase a meal plan and must select from the following eight choices.)

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Meal Plan Selections for Returning Residents

(Returning residents may select from the five options below or any of the above eight options.)

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<td>$915.00 All Flex</td>
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Financial Aid

In addition to finding a wealth of information on the Web regarding your financial aid, you can apply for aid and monitor your application at USF via the Financial Aid Web: http://usfweb.usf.edu/financialaid and via OASIS Web: http://usfonline.admin.usf.edu/. Complete and submit the FAFSA. Be sure to include the University of South Florida in step six: http://www.fafsa.ed.gov. Paper versions are also available from the Office of Financial Aid, SVC 1102, or you may call (813) 974-3730 and request one.

Since many programs are funded on a limited basis, it is to your advantage to apply early. Priority application dates and detailed information regarding financial aid are provided each year in the Financial Aid Handbook and on our Web site. Conduct a nationwide scholarship search: http://www.fastweb.com and check out USF’s scholarship information: http://usfweb.usf.edu/financialaid/Scholarship20Information20Page.html via the Web site as well.

You may receive an automatic tuition deferment, if funds are delayed. A tuition deferment prevents your classes from being cancelled and temporarily prevents assessment of a late payment fee. Since deferments prevent cancellation for non-payment, you must officially withdraw from all classes to be relieved of liability to pay and to ensure that tuition is not paid by disbursed financial aid. Use OASIS to check and see if you have a tuition deferment.

Short-term loans are also available for limited use. The deadline for deferred tuition payment and details about short-term loans are printed in the semestery Schedule of Classes. Because we are required by federal regulations to verify the last date of attendance in classes, at the end of each semester, the Office of Financial Aid mails letters to financial aid recipients who appear to have unofficially withdrawn. (Your semester grades are all F, U, or I.) Your last date of attendance may be considered the last date you submitted an assignment or took an exam, or your last date of actual attendance in classes. This letter requires a response within 14 days, or it will be assumed you did not attend beyond the 50% point of the term. This may require you to repay a portion of federal financial aid received.

Check campus has a financial aid representative. Tampa (813) 974-4700; Lakeland (941) 667-7038; Sarasota/New College (941) 359-4255; St. Petersburg (727) 553-1128. If you are outside the calling area, call us at 1-877-USF-BULLS.

Academic Scholarships

Academic scholarships are administered by a number of different offices within the University.

1. The Office of Admissions administers a variety of different scholarships for first-time-in-college students. All first-time-in-college students interested in academic and minority scholarships should contact the Admissions Office directly.

2. The Office of Adult and Transfer Student Services administers a variety of different scholarships for transfer students. All transfer students interested in academic and minority scholarships should contact the Office of Adult and Transfer Student Services directly.

3. All financial aid applicants are automatically considered for scholarships administered through the Office of Financial Aid. If applications are completed by the priority application dates published each year in the Financial Aid Guide.

4. The individual colleges of the University (the College of Business, the College of Education, etc.) administer some scholarships directly through the Dean’s Office in each college. New students and transfer students are advised to contact the USF Admissions Office or the Office of Adult and Transfer Student Services first, and then the individual colleges regarding scholarship opportunities.

5. For non-Florida residents, a limited number of out-of-state tuition waivers are available based on academic performance. New students and continuing students are eligible
Parking and Transportation

Do you have to have a parking permit?

Parking permits are required for all vehicles parking at the University of South Florida 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Each person may purchase only one vehicle permit (additional permit for motorcycle and/or bicycle are allowed). Permit campus designation is based on home campus/class location. Parking permit fees vary based on parking lot location. If you don’t have a permit, you must park at a metered parking space. (For additional permit information, call 974-3990 or visit our website, listed below).

Do Visitors need a parking permit?

Yes. Effective August 1, 1999 a daily parking fee of $2.00 for a daily permit was implemented. The Fee is applicable to visitors and event attendees that park in the following visitor lots: Crescent Hill Garage, lots 3C, 3D, 6, 18, 19, 23, 35, 38C, 38T, or, visitors can choose metered parking during their visit. Visitors and event attendees may continue to park free (with a courtesy permit for Park-N-Ride lots issued by Parking and Transportation Services) in lots 43, 18A, and 18B and take advantage of the Campus Shuttle to travel to their destinations on campus (Faculty, staff, students and vendors will not be eligible for these permits). Free courtesy permits for Park –N-Ride lots are available up to 3 times a month.

How do you obtain a permit?

Parking permits may be purchased on the Tampa Campus at the Campus Information Center (off of Fowler at the main entrance) or the Parking and Transportation Services Building (corner of Maple and Fletcher Avenue). Daily visitor parking permits can also be purchased from parking permit machines located within designated Visitor parking lots. On the St. Pete and Sarasota Campuses permits may be purchased at the Police Departments. (A copy of the vehicle registration and a valid driver’s license is required.) For additional information, call 974-3990.

Is there a bus on campus?

Shuttle bus service is provided FREE to USF faculty, staff, students, and visitors. Routes cover the entire USF Tampa Campus and also travel to University Mall from 11am to 2pm. Shuttle Maps and schedules are available detailing route information. For additional information, call 974-3990.

How can I get help when I have a problem with a vehicle?

Low Tire? Keys locked in car? Need to jump-start your car? Call Parking and Transportation Services at 974-3990, option #5. This FREE service is provided from 8:00am until 8:30pm Monday through Thursday and Friday 8:00am until 4:30pm (except Holidays).

What happens if you get a parking ticket?

Parking regulations are designed to provide safe and orderly parking. Violation of these regulations can result in parking citations, immobilization of your vehicle, towing, or loss of parking privileges. Creating, modifying, or altering a parking permit is a serious parking violation and will result in immediate immobilization or towing of the vehicle. Respond to parking citations within 7 business days of issuance to avoid late fees. Most common citations are for no decal, expired parking meter, and parking out of assigned area. For additional information, call 974-3990.

Questions?

Additional information may be obtained by calling 974-3990 or by visiting the Parking and Transportation Services website located at http://usfweb.usf.edu/parking_services. Customer Service hours of operation (subject to change): Monday and Thursday 7:30am to 5pm, Tuesday and Wednesday 7:30am to 6pm, and Friday 7:30am to 3pm.

Special Services

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Benefits

USF is approved for the education of veterans, eligible dependents, members of the selected reserve, and active-duty personnel who are eligible for benefits under public laws now in effect. All degree programs currently offered at USF are approved by the State Approving Agency.

Students who may be eligible for benefits are urged to contact Veterans Services for information, procedures, and forms as early as possible. To initiate, change, or renew benefits at USF, a request must be submitted through that office.

To be eligible for full-time VA benefits at USF, undergraduate students must enroll for 12 or more semester hours, and graduate students must enroll for 9 or more semester hours each normal academic term.

VA regulations require that students take only courses that are applicable to their degree program or other approved program and make satisfactory progress toward their degree. Students should consult the "Handbook for VA Students" (available at their local USF Veterans Services office) or log on to USF Veterans Services web site: http://usfweb.usf.edu/vetservice for information on various programs/services, and VA rules and regulations. Under no circumstances will the VA pay benefits to a student taking a course by audit. It is the student's responsibility to inquire concerning all VA rules and regulations and to report any change in status which affects his/her benefits. Additionally, VA benefits will be terminated for students who are dismissed for academic or disciplinary reasons and can only be reinstated after academic counseling.

Veterans with a service-connected disability approved for benefits under Chapter 31 may contact the Office of Student Financial Services no earlier than one week prior to the start of classes for a book and supplies voucher. Other VA benefits include additional amounts of compensation and pension, which may be payable to eligible veterans and widows or widowers of veterans for the enrollment of dependent children. The students, parents, or guardians are responsible for notifying the VA Regional Office directly of enrollment and termination of enrollment. The VA toll-free number is 1-888-442-4551.

*See "Resident Status," above