



## UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM

### APPLICATION FOR CLASSIFICATION AS A LEGAL RESIDENT OF ALABAMA FOR TUITION PURPOSES

Alabama, like other states, restricts resident tuition to persons who have been residing in Alabama for purposes other than to obtain an education, and who are able to demonstrate contacts with the State of Alabama that indicate an intent to remain in this state. Resident tuition status is determined by the University, with regard to Alabama law, and the policies of the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama System and the University of Alabama at Birmingham. This application, which must be completed in its entirety, will help UAB assess whether the applicant may qualify for residency status for tuition purposes.

Alabama Code as well as UA system and UAB policies declare that a resident student is one who:

1. at the time of initial registration, is not a minor (below the age of 19) and is a resident of the state of Alabama and has been a resident of the state for at least one year immediately preceding the date of registration; or
2. is a minor and whose supporting person(s) is a resident of the state of Alabama and has been a resident of the state for at least one year immediately preceding the date of initial registration.

Classification of students as non-resident students or resident students shall be made at the time of their initial registration and shall continue unchanged through all subsequent registrations at the institution until satisfactory evidence to the contrary is submitted at the time of any subsequent registration.

The Division of Student Affairs, the Graduate School, and the admissions/registration offices of the Schools of Medicine, Dentistry, and Optometry are designated as the offices empowered at UAB to determine and certify resident students. To be classified as a resident for tuition purposes, you must furnish evidence in support of your claim to resident status. Application for change of residency and supporting documentation must be submitted by the last day of drop / add for the semester in which you are applying for reclassification. (See the academic calendar on BlazerNET, under the quick links channel.) No application will be considered after this time. Unless your admissions/registration officer notifies you that your classification has been changed to resident student, your classification in the university is non-resident for tuition purposes.

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#### **Before making an application for resident student classification, you should be aware of the following:**

- Guidelines for determining residency for tuition purposes are independent of other regulations used by state authorities to determine residency in the state of Alabama. For example, having an Alabama driver's license, an Alabama car tag, and/or voter registration will not necessarily demonstrate residency for tuition purposes.
- Attending the University of Alabama at Birmingham does not establish residence for tuition purposes. Residence in Alabama is residing at a single location with the intent of remaining there indefinitely, as opposed to living in Alabama solely to obtain an education.
- In determining resident or nonresident classification, the primary issue is one of intent. If a person is in Alabama primarily for the purpose of obtaining an education, that person will generally be considered a nonresident student.
- Documents supporting a reclassification application should be, but are not required to be, dated, issued, or filed twelve (12) months before the first day of classes of the semester for which reclassification is sought.
- To be considered for in-state tuition, you must be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident alien, or a legal alien granted indefinite stay by the Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- If you are 19 years of age or older, you must establish residency based on your own circumstances and not that of your parent(s) or guardian.

#### **Directions for completing application:**

1. Answer all questions. Incomplete forms will be returned. If a question is not applicable to your situation, write 'not applicable' or NA.
2. Type all responses or print in blue or black ink. If you need more space to answer, write 'see attached' and use additional paper.
3. Be completely accurate to the best of your knowledge. Knowingly falsifying your responses may subject you to disciplinary action including dismissal from the university.
4. Sign and date the application and submit any supporting attachments or documentation.

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*All information provided in your response will become part of your student record and will not be used for any purpose other than to determine residency status.*

**Section I**

Name (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (MI) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (Month) \_\_\_\_\_ (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year) \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Student number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the division which applies to you.

Undergraduate      Graduate      Medicine      Dentistry      Optometry

(Major / Program) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. citizen?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (If you are a U.S. citizen and were not born in the U.S., supporting documentation will be required.)

No \_\_\_\_\_ In what country do you hold citizenship? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a resident alien?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (Please provide a copy of both sides of your resident alien card) No \_\_\_\_\_

What is your current Visa type? \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_

Present address: (no P. O. box)

\_\_\_\_\_ Street and number      City      State      Zip

How long have you lived at this address? \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent home address (if different from present address):

\_\_\_\_\_ Street and number      City      State      Zip

List any other previous home addresses within the last four years.

\_\_\_\_\_ Street and number      City      State      Zip

I lived at this address from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
month/year      month/year

\_\_\_\_\_ Street and number      City      State      Zip

I lived at this address from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
month/year      month/year

\_\_\_\_\_ Street and number      City      State      Zip

I lived at this address from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
month/year      month/year

**Section II**

If one or more of these circumstances applies to you, you may be eligible for in-state residence for tuition purposes. Check any or all that apply prior to your initial enrollment at UAB.

- You are a member, the spouse and/or minor child of a member of the United States military on full-time active duty, stationed in Alabama, and under orders for duties other than attending school.
- You are a full-time employee (not temporary) in the state or the spouse or minor child of such an employee.  
Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Since date \_\_\_\_\_
- You are employed by UAB as a graduate assistant or fellow. (If approved, this status is applicable to the period of time that you are employed at UAB as a graduate assistant or fellow.)

**Section III (To be completed only if the applicant is under 19 years of age)**

Is your father living? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent home address since (date) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street and number City State Zip

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ since (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Full-time? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Is your mother living? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent home address since (date) \_\_\_\_\_:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street and number City State Zip

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ since (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Full-time? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Are your parents separated or divorced? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, who has legal custody of you? \_\_\_\_\_ since (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a legal guardian? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent home address since (date) \_\_\_\_\_:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street and number City State Zip

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ since (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Full-time? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Section IV**

Secondary (high or preparatory) schools you attended:

| Name  | Address/City/State | From (date) to (date) |
|-------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| _____ | _____              | _____                 |
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All post-secondary schools (universities, colleges, junior colleges) you have attended in chronological order (including UAB):

| Institution | Address/City/State | From (date) to (date) |
|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| _____       | _____              | _____                 |
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Why and when did you move your home to Alabama? (reason) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

From where did you move your home to Alabama? (moved from) \_\_\_\_\_

Are your parents or children legal residents of Alabama? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Have you or your parents had previous periods of residency in the state of Alabama for one year or more?

(please explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent your home? Own \_\_\_\_\_ Rent \_\_\_\_\_

If married, your spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent home address since (date) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Street and number City State Zip

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ since (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Full-time? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Who (including yourself) last claimed you as a dependent on state and/or federal income tax returns, for what tax year, and in what state filed?

On state return for \_\_\_\_\_ tax year, filed in (state) \_\_\_\_\_, on (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of filer \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you \_\_\_\_\_

On federal return for \_\_\_\_\_ tax year, filed in (state) \_\_\_\_\_, on (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of filer \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you \_\_\_\_\_

Do you possess a state or local license to do business or practice a profession in Alabama?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If yes, describe in detail. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Section V**

**Documentary Evidence**

Please list and provide copies of any an all documents which demonstrate more substantial connections with the state of Alabama than with any other state. Examples include, but are not limited to verification on letterhead of full-time employment; property deed; federal/state income tax returns; military orders; residence in the state of spouse, parents, or children, etc.)

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