

Texas 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:

Student ID Number:

Date of Birth:

PART B. Previous Enrollment. For all Students.

1. During the 12 months prior to the term for which you are applying, did you attend a public college or university in Texas in the fall or spring term? **Yes** ___ **No** ___
 If you answered "**No**", please continue 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, 20___ ___ Spring, 20___
4. During your last semester at a Texas public institution, did you pay resident(in-state) or nonresident (out-of-state)?
 ___ Resident(in-state) ___ Nonresident(out-of-state) ___ Unknown
5. If you paid in-state tuition at you last institution, was it because you were classified as a resident or because you were a nonresident who received a waiver?
 ___ Resident ___ Nonresident with a waiver ___ Unknown

IMPORTANT: If you were enrolled at a Texas public institution during a fall or spring semester within the previous 12 months and were classified as a Texas resident, skip to Part I, sign and date this form and submit it to McMurry University. If you were not enrolled, or you were enrolled but classified as a nonresident, proceed to Part C.

PART C. Residency Claim.

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? _____

If you are uncertain, continue to **Part D**.

PART D. Acquisition of High School Diploma or GED.

Instructions to Part D:

- If you answer "no" to questions 1a or 2 or 3 continue to **Part E**.
- If you answer "yes" to all four questions, skip to **Part I**.
- If you answer "yes" to questions 1, 2, and 3, but "no" to question 4, complete a **copy of the Affidavit in Chart III, provided as an Attachment to this form**, skip to

Part I of this form, and submit both this form and the affidavit to McMurry University.

	Yes	No
1a. Did you graduate or will you graduate from high school or complete a GED in Texas prior to the term for which you are applying?		
1b. If you graduated or will graduate from high school, what is the name and city of the school? _____		
2. Did you live or will you have lived in Texas 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 Texas for the previous 12 months?		
4. Are you a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident?		

Part E. Basis of Claim to Residency. TO BE COMPLETED BY EVERYONE WHO DID NOT ANSWER "YES" TO QUESTIONS 1a, 2, AND 3 OF PART D.

Instructions to Part E.

- If you answer "Yes" to question 1, continue to **Part F**.
- If you answer "Yes" to question 2, skip to **Part G**.
- If you answer "No" to 1 and 2 and "self" to question 3, continue to **Part F**.
- If you answer "No" to 1 and 2 and "parent or guardian" to question 3, skip to **Part G**.
- If you answer "No" to 1 and 2 and "other" to question 3, skip to **Part H** and provide an explanation, and complete **Part I**.

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? **Yes** ____ **No** ____ (To be eligible to be claimed as a dependent, your parent or legal guardian must provide at least one half of your support. A step-parent does not qualify as a parent if he/she has not adopted the student)
3. If you answered "No" to both questions above, who provides the majority of your support?
Self ____ **Parent or guardian** ____ **Other:** (list) _____

PART F. Questions for student who answered "Yes" to Question 1 or "Self" to Question 3 of PART E.

	Yes	No	Years	Mo.	Visa/Status
1. Are you a U.S. Citizen?					
2. Are you a Permanent Resident of the U.S.?					

3. Are you a foreign national whose application for Permanent Resident Status has been preliminarily reviewed? (You should have received a fee/filing receipt or Notice of Action (I-797) from USCIS showing your I-485 has been reviewed and has not been rejected.)					
4. 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.	Yes []	No []	Indicate which:		
5. Do you currently live in Texas? If you are out of state due to a temporary assignment by your employer or other temporary purpose, please explain in Part H.	Yes []	No []			
6a. If you currently live in Texas, how long have you been living here? b. What is your main purpose for being in the state? If for reasons other than those listed, give an explanation in Section H.			Years	Months	
	Go to College []		Establish/Maintain a home []	Work Assignment []	
7. If you are a member of the U.S. military, is Texas your Home of Record? What state is listed as your military legal residence for tax purposes on your Leave and Earnings Statement?	Yes []	No []			
	State:				

	Yes	No
8. 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 Texas? If yes, date acquired: _____		
9. While living in Texas have you: (Check all that apply) a. been gainfully employed for a period of at least 12 consecutive months? b. received services from a social service agency that provides services to homeless persons for a period of at least 12 consecutive months?		
10. a. Are you married to a person who could answer "yes" to any part of questions 8 or 9? b. If yes, indicate which question could be answered yes by your spouse: c. How long have you been married to the Texas resident?		
	Question:	
	Months	Years

	Yes	No	Years	Mo.	Visa/Status
1. Is the parent or legal guardian upon whom you base your					

claim of residency a U.S. citizen?					
2. Is the parent or legal guardian upon whom you base your claim of residency a Permanent Resident of the U.S.?					
3. Is this parent or legal guardian a foreign national whose application for Permanent Resident Status has been preliminarily reviewed? (You should have received a fee/filing receipt or Notice of Action (I-797) from USCIS showing your I-485 has been reviewed and has not been rejected.)					
4. Is this parent or legal guardian a foreign national here with a visa or are you a Refugee, Asylee, Parolee or here under Temporary Protective Status? If so, indicate which.	Yes []	No []	Indicate which:		
5. Does this parent or legal guardian currently live in Texas? If you are out of state due to a temporary assignment by your employer or other temporary purpose, please explain in Part H.	Yes []	No []			
6a. If he or she is currently living in Texas, how long have you been living here? b. What is your parent's or legal guardian's main purpose for being in the state? If for reasons other than those listed, give an explanation in Section H.			Years	Months	
			Go to College []	Establish/Main-tain a home []	Work Assignment []
7. If he or she is a member of the U.S. military, is Texas your Home of Record?	Yes []	No []			
What state is listed as his or her military legal residence for tax purposes on your Leave and Earnings Statement?	State:				

	Yes	No
8. Do any of the following apply to your parent or guardian? (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 Texas? If yes, date acquired: _____		
9. While living in Texas has your parent or guardian: (Check all that apply)		
a. been gainfully employed for a period of at least 12 consecutive months?		
b. received services from a social service agency that provides services to homeless persons for a period of at least 12 consecutive months?		
10. a. Is your parent or legal guardian married to a person who could answer "yes" to any part of questions 8 or 9?		
b. If yes, indicate which question could be answered yes by your parent or guardian's spouse:	Question:	
c. How long has your parent or guardian been married to the Texas resident?	Months	Years

Part H. General Comments. Is there any additional information that you believe your college 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 at McMurry University will use the information submitted on this form to determine my status for residency eligibility. I authorize McMurry 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 and/or appropriate disciplinary action.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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