



RESIDENT CLASSIFICATION INFORMATION

IN-TERRITORY

The following student classification will be used for administrative purposes. For the purpose of assessing tuition, students are classified as In-Territory or Out-of-Territory.

- ▶ A U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident 18 years of age or older may register as an In-Territory student if she or he has been a legal resident of the U.S. Virgin Islands for a period of at least 12 months immediately preceding the date of registration.
- ▶ A U.S. Virgin Islands resident who has left the territory to attend school and has their permanent residence as the U. S. Virgin Islands will be considered an In-Territory student.
- ▶ A U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident who marries a U.S. Virgin Islands resident who is eligible for In-Territory status will be considered an In-Territory student.

OUT-OF-TERRITORY

- ▶ A U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident 18 years or older who has not lived in the U.S. Virgin Islands for 12 consecutive months prior to registration will be considered an Out-of-Territory student.
- ▶ International students who are on student visas (F-1, J-1 or H-1) will be considered Out-of-Territory students.
- ▶ No person will be granted resident student status while attending the University of the Virgin Islands without clear demonstration of established legal residence in the Virgin Islands. Students residing in University housing are not eligible for reclassification as resident students.

CHANGE OF STATUS

Students requesting reclassification must present evidence establishing residence in the U.S. Virgin Islands and maintenance of that for the preceding 12 months. Applicable documents, listed below, may be considered as evidence of establishing legal residence and permanent ties in the U.S. Virgin Islands. Documents identified below with an asterisk

(*) are considered permanent ties and must be dated twelve (12) months **prior to the 1st day of the classes for the term for which residency reclassification is sought.**

The most recent Income Tax returns and W-2 form; parent's most recent tax returns (if student is under the age of 25); letter stating independent status from the Financial Aid Office (if receiving financial aid and under the age of 24).

- ◇ U.S. Virgin Islands Voter's Registration.*
- ◇ U.S. Virgin Islands Driver's License.
- ◇ Official I. D. card issued by agencies within the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- ◇ Lease agreement, rent receipts and/or cancelled checks.*
- ◇ Proof of continuous physical presence during periods of non-enrollment.*
- ◇ Full-time permanent employment, or part-time permanent employment, or acceptance thereof in the U.S. Virgin Islands (an official letter on company stationery and pay check stubs are required.)
- ◇ U.S. Virgin Islands vehicle registration and/or Title.
- ◇ Purchase of permanent home: (a) deed; (b) tax receipts; purchase of real property, (e.g. land).
- ◇ U.S. Virgin Islands Business Incorporation and/or License.
- ◇ Professional or Occupational License obtained in the U.S. Virgin Islands, (e.g. membership in the USVI Bar Association).
- ◇ Accounts at a local financial institution (savings and/or checking), utility statements (e.g. power, telephone, cable). The applicant's name must appear on the documents.
- ◇ Proof of marriage to a resident along with proof of the spouse's U.S. Virgin Islands resident status.*

Reclassification will begin the semester following approval of the request. Please refer to the University of the Virgin Islands Catalog for further details regarding residency requirements. Submission of fraudulent documents to obtain residency will result in expulsion from University of the Virgin Islands.