

# ESTABLISHING GEORGIA RESIDENCY



To be eligible for Georgia State funds, you must verify your residency to the Office of Financial Aid. You must document your intent to establish and maintain Georgia as your home state. The questions below, along with Georgia residency documentation you will provide, will aid in verifying your true residency status.

When was the first quarter of your attendance at Life University? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been or are you now considered an eligible non-citizen?  Yes  No

If yes, the following document is required: A copy of your Permanent Resident Card or Certification of Naturalization.

When did you become a legal resident of Georgia? \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

If dependent student, when did your parent(s) become a legal resident? \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

If you moved here from another state, then what was your reason for moving to Georgia?  To work  To attend college

Will you stay in Georgia upon graduation to work?  Yes  No

Did you graduate from a Georgia high school?  Yes  No

If yes, do we have a copy of your high school transcript on file?  Yes  No

**Only documents and dates as listed on the DOCUMENTING GEORGIA RESIDENCY sheet will be accepted.**

**I certify that the information reported above or any documents provided in connection with this application are true to the best of my knowledge.**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

## Office Use Only

Please list the documents being submitted as proof of residency and DATE on document

Primary \_\_\_\_\_ Date on Document \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary \_\_\_\_\_ Date on Document \_\_\_\_\_

## Intake and Processing – Please Initial and Date

Rec'd by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Processed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# DOCUMENTING GEORGIA RESIDENCY



For the Georgia Tuition Equalization Grant (GTEG) and Hope Scholarship, you must show that you have lived in the state of Georgia for **at least two years** prior to the first day of the quarter you're applying for this grant, and that you intend to remain in Georgia indefinitely following graduation. You must remain a full-time student through the end of the add/drop period of each quarter.

You will need to complete an online application at [www.gacollege411.org](http://www.gacollege411.org). You will need to create an account on that website and also do an application.

You must submit two (2) documents to prove your Georgia residency. **At least one form must be a primary document.** The second can be either a primary or secondary document. Below is a list of acceptable documents. There will be **NO EXCEPTIONS**. If you cannot provide the acceptable documents, you will not be eligible.

If you are a **dependent student**, we only require that you submit your parents' residency documentation.

## PRIMARY DOCUMENTATION

The following documents must be dated at least 2 years prior to the first day of the quarter you are applying (documents cannot be older than 3 ½ years). See chart below for dates.

- Georgia driver's license (issue date can be older than 3 years from the first day of the quarter as long as it has not expired)
- Georgia vehicle registration
- Georgia state tax return (W-2s or Federal tax returns are not acceptable)
- Georgia voter registration card
- Military records
- Property tax receipts

## SECONDARY DOCUMENTATION

The following documents must be dated at least 2 years prior to the first day of the quarter you are applying (documents cannot be older than 3 ½ years). See chart below for dates.

- Utility bill (cell phone bill is not acceptable)
- Mortgage or lease agreement
- Bank statement
- Employment verification: submit a letter (on letterhead) from employer stating dates of employment (pay stubs are not acceptable)

**Residency documents must be dated based on the first quarter at Life University:**

### 2013/2014

- Summer 2013: 1/1/10 to 7/10/11
- Fall 2013: 4/1/10 to 10/2/11
- Winter 2014: 6/1/10 to 1/08/12
- Spring 2014: 10/1/10 to 4/01/12

### 2014/2015

- Summer 2014: 1/1/11 to 7/10/12
- Fall 2014: 4/1/11 to 10/2/12
- Winter 2015: 6/1/11 to 1/08/13
- Spring 2015: 10/1/11 to 4/01/13