

Residence Determinations for Military Personnel and Dependents

A student who is a member of the armed forces of the United States stationed in California on active duty, except a member of the armed forces assigned for educational purposes to a state-supported institution of higher education, is entitled to resident classification.

An undergraduate student who is a natural or adopted child, stepchild, or spouse who is a dependent of a member of the armed forces of the United States stationed in this state on active duty shall be entitled to resident classification if he/she has been admitted to the District and the service member is subsequently transferred outside of California.

A student who was a member of the armed forces of the United States stationed in California on active duty for more than one year immediately prior to being discharged from the armed forces is entitled to resident classification for the length of time he or she lives in California after being discharged up to the minimum time necessary to become a resident.

A student claiming the residence classifications provided for in this procedure must provide a statement from the student's commanding officer or personnel officer providing evidence of the date of the assignment to California and that the assignment to active duty in California is not for educational purposes.

A student claiming the residence classifications for the dependent of military personnel shall provide a statement from the military person's commanding officer or personnel officer that the military person's duty station is in California on active duty as of the residence determination date, or has been transferred outside of California on active duty after the residence determination date, or that the military person has retired from active duty after the residence determination date. (Title 5, §§5404, 54042)

Nonresident tuition exemption shall be granted to students qualifying under Section 702 of the Veterans' Access to Care through Choice, Accountability, and Transparency Act of 2014 (VACA), and AB12, Conway: Nonresident Tuition exemption: Veterans. Covered individuals include:

- Montgomery and Post-9/11 GI Bill recipients enrolled within three years of discharge after serving ninety days or more active duty.

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References: Education Code §§68074, 68075, 68075.5, 68075.7
Title 5 §§55023, 55024 54041, 54042, 54050, 58620
Military and Veterans Code §824
38 U.S. Code §3679
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- Anyone using transferred entitlement within three years of transferor's discharge after service ninety days or more active duty.
- Surviving spouses or children under the Fry Scholarship enrolled within three years of member's death after serving ninety days or more active duty.
- CH 30 or CH 33 if continuously enrolled after initially meeting the requirements.

Withdrawal Policies for Members of the Military

A student who is a member of an active or reserve United States military service and who receives orders compelling a withdrawal from courses shall be permitted to withdraw upon verification of such orders. A withdrawal symbol may be assigned, which may be a "W" or a "MW." Military withdrawal shall not be counted in progress probation or dismissal calculations. In no case may a military withdrawal result in a student being assigned an "F" grade.

Students requesting a military withdrawal shall submit to the Admissions and Records Office a copy of their orders compelling a withdrawal. The director of admissions and records shall review the documentation to substantiate the timeline and need for withdrawal. If the documentation is submitted after the course has been issued a final grade, the instructor will be requested to document the change of grade to an "MW" using the grade-change form. The Admissions and Records Office will issue a grade of MW on the student's record and request a refund be processed by the Student Accounts Office.