

INDEPENDENT CHECKLIST

FORM

- Complete Residency application through the online portal (link on Residency web page under Residency Application)

SC DRIVERS LICENSE AND VEHICLE REGISTRATION CARD(S)

- Copy of student's driver's license (if issue date on license is less than a year old, please provide copy of your 3 year driving record from the SC DMV)
- Copy of vehicle registration for all vehicles that you are in full or partial ownership of this includes motorcycles and mopeds (title of vehicle or vehicle taxes will NOT suffice)
- If registrations were recently renewed, please provide a prior registration, tax receipt, or a copy of your plate history from the SC DMV. This must be requested from the DMV and can only be received by mail.
- If the vehicle was purchased less than 1 year ago, provide the Purchase Agreement or Bill of Sale for the vehicle

PROOF OF SC DOMICILE

- If renting, please provide a copy of rental agreement for past and current year
- If you own your home, please provide a copy of the closing statement or deed on house
- If you own property out-of-state, please provide a copy of the state property taxes verifying that you are not claiming homestead exemption in that state

TAXES

- Student's most recent Federal 1040 pages 1 & 2
- Student's most recent SC tax returns (all pages) If you filed as Non-Resident or Part-Year Resident, provide NR/PY schedule. If filed taxes in more than one state, provide taxes from both states
- If you filed for tax extension or non-filing status, provide a copy of the extension you filed or obtain statement from IRS about non-filing status
- If 24 years of age or younger will need parents Federal 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ taxes –page 1 & 2
- If 24 years of age or younger signed statement from parent(s) confirming that they do not support the independent student

VERIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT STATUS

You will need to prove you have been able to supply more than half of your financial support over the last 12 months. Please provide all of the applicable documentation from the list below:

- Copy of the most recent paystub you've received
- If you used financial aid from a different school last year, please provide documentation
- If you have used funds from a trust or an inheritance you will have to provide statements, highlighting the funds you've taken out to pay for your expenses in the last year

If you are applying for residency under the Full-time Employment Exception (only if you've lived here less than a year but are working full-time), you must provide a letter from your employer verifying your employee status. The letter must be on company letter head, specify the number of hours you work per week, when you were hired, and give information regarding the projected length of your employment. If it is indefinite, the letter must say so.

NON-US CITIZENS MUST PROVIDE EITHER:

- Copy of your permanent resident card of student (as applicable)
- Copy of your Alien Registration Card (I-94) or Visa