

GRCC Residency Review Form

Students who believe their residency status is incorrect may request a review of their records by submitting a residency review form with acceptable documentation to GRCC Student Financial Services.

The residency review form must be received in Student Financial Services by the end of the first week of the semester for which the change is being requested. Dates will vary for students only attending late-starting classes.

Personal Information

Student Name: _____ Student ID Number: W _____

Street Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Acceptable Documentation

The College will accept **any two (2)** of the following as proof of legal residency with the student's name:

A valid Michigan driver's license, Michigan state ID, or motor vehicle registration with student's name and current address (both sides must be submitted).

A dated voter registration card with student's name and current address.

(NOTE: voter card must be dated at least six months prior to start of the semester if using to establish length of time.)

A copy of mortgage or warranty deed with primary residence in the taxing district of GRCC (or a copy of the property tax statement showing GRCC millage)—**six-month requirement waived**.

A copy of utility bills (cable, electric, gas, landline phone, trash or water) with the student's name and address for each of the six (6) consecutive months prior to the start of the semester.

A copy of homeowners/renters insurance with the student's name and address for each of the six (6) consecutive months prior to the start of the semester.

A copy of valid lease agreement, dated and signed, listing student as an occupant.

- Mobile home communities require a lease agreement/letter on official company letterhead from leasing office (listing student as an occupant).
- If a signed lease agreement is not available, a letter from the landlord on official company letterhead or a notarized letter from the landlord/homeowner is acceptable. All letters must contain the following information:
 - Address of the property being rented.
 - Specific dates with length of time residing at property.
 - Signature, address, and phone number of the landlord/homeowner.

NOTE: All documents submitted must be current/valid for the six (6) consecutive months. Students 26 and under with a valid Michigan driver's license or Michigan state ID who live with their parent(s) or legal guardian can use their parent's mortgage/lease, homeowners/renters insurance, or utility bills (same last name or document with proof of relationship must be provided, ex. birth certificate).

Required Signature

I have established six (6) months of residency (if applicable) and provided two (2) documents of proof from the list above.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Financial Services Use Only

GRCC Student Financial Services: _____ Date: _____ Effective Term: _____

Approved _____ Denied Reason: _____

Comments (SFAC-SFRES): _____

Residency Definitions

Six (6) months of residency must be established prior to the start date of the semester and completed before submitting review unless noted below:

Legal Residence

The permanent, primary residence where a student intends to return whenever absent from college.
(Note: college or university owned housing is not considered a permanent, primary residence.)

Resident Status

A student who has been a resident of the Kent Intermediate School District (KISD) and pays property taxes in support of GRCC for at least six (6) consecutive months prior to the start of the semester.

OR

Students 26 and under who live with their parent(s) or legal guardian who owns or leases the home within the taxing boundaries of the college, **six-month requirement is waived.**

Non-Resident Status

A student who has been a resident of the state of Michigan for at least six (6) consecutive months prior to the start of the semester but does not meet the definition of resident status.

Out-of-State Status

A student who does not meet the definitions of resident or non-resident status.

OR

A student who has temporary entry permission (for example, a student visa, au pair).

Active Duty Military/Veterans

An armed forces service member on active duty, their spouse, and/or dependent child will qualify for non-resident tuition once they have resided in Michigan for 30 days. Appropriate documentation must be provided to the Veteran's Benefits Office prior to the start of the semester.

All veterans and their dependents using benefits who have recently moved to Michigan will immediately qualify for non-resident tuition rates. They must present proof of veteran status and educational benefit eligibility to the Veteran's Benefits Office prior to the start of the semester.

Residency Audit

Grand Rapids Community College will perform annual verification of residency information. When residency discrepancies are found, you will have 14 days to respond to mailed correspondence or your tuition rate is automatically adjusted to applicable non-resident or out-of-state for upcoming semesters. Students who have misrepresented information or have falsified documents may have to repay tuition, verify back records, or may be dismissed from the college. If a student has mail returned to the college, a hold will be placed on their records and the student must verify their residency at Student Financial Services. Students should direct any questions about residency, tuition/fee charges, and payment to Student Financial Services, located on the first floor of Raleigh J. Finkelstein Hall.

Submission Instructions

You must return this form in one of the following ways:

Print and mail OR return to: **Student Financial Services**
GRCC Main Campus
Raleigh J. Finkelstein Hall, First Floor
143 Bostwick Avenue, NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-3295

OR FAX to: (616) 234-4367

OR scan/email to: studentfinancials@grcc.edu