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VERIFICATION OF LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES

All persons applying to Central Georgia Technical College must provide verification of lawful presence in the United States; otherwise, international tuition rates will apply. Additionally, applicants requesting the in-state tuition rate, which is less than the out-of-state and international tuition rates, must provide proof of Georgia residency. **All applicants must submit one of these types of documentation** to verify lawful presence in the United States and request the in-state tuition rate, if applicable*:

- Current driver's license or State ID issued by the state of Georgia after January 1, 2008
- Current driver's license or ID issued by a state that verifies immigration status and only issues to persons lawfully present in the United States:
 - Alabama: Issued after August 1, 2000
 - Florida: Issued after January 1, 2010
 - South Carolina: Issued after November 1, 2008
 - Tennessee: Issued after May 29, 2004
- Certified U.S. birth certificate showing the student was born in the U.S. or a U.S. territory. A photocopy is not acceptable.
- Approved, completed FAFSA for the current financial aid year
- Current, valid Permanent Resident Card (USCIS form 1-151 or 1-551)
- Current, valid military identification card for active duty or veterans
- U.S. Certificate of Birth Abroad issued by the Department of State (DS-1350) or a Consular Report of Birth Abroad (FS-240)
- Current U.S. Passport
- U.S. Certificate of Citizenship (USCIS form N-560 or N-561)
- U.S. Certificate of Naturalization (USCIS form N-550 or N-570)
- Other forms of documentation may be acceptable; students should consult with the Admissions Office if one of the above forms of documentation cannot be provided.

*Applicants (or parent/guardian, if the applicant is a dependent) that have lived in Georgia for 12 consecutive months or more may request the in-state tuition rate when completing their admissions application. Applicants must be lawfully present in the United States and meet the in-state tuition requirements as outlined in TCSG Board Policy and Procedure 6.2.2p. to be eligible for the in-state tuition rate. **Applicants that do not submit an acceptable form of documentation to verify lawful presence in the United States will not be eligible for in-state tuition, regardless of how long they have lived in Georgia.** Applicants and students that are initially classified as out-of-state can request to have their residency changed to in-state once verification requirements have been met.

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