

NONRESIDENT TUITION EXEMPTION

For Eligible Maryland High School Graduates

Howard Community College grants admission to all students regardless of immigration status. Maryland legislation SB 167 and SB 537 (Maryland Dream Act) provide the opportunity for qualifying individuals to receive an exemption from out-of-state tuition rates if they meet criteria set forth in §15-106.8 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The same criteria may also be required for eligibility for Maryland State Aid.

An individual shall be exempt from the out-of-state tuition rate if the individual:

1. Attended high school in Maryland.
2. Graduated from a high school in Maryland or received the equivalent of a Maryland high school diploma.
3. Enrolls at public institution of higher education in Maryland within 6 years of graduating or of receiving the equivalent of a Maryland high school diploma.
4. Provides documentation that the individual, or the individual's parent or legal guardian has filed Maryland income tax returns for 2 years prior to the current academic year at a higher education institution in Maryland.
5. Provides an affidavit stating that the individual will file an application to become a permanent resident within 30 days after the individual becomes eligible to do so.
6. Provides proof that the individual has registered with the Selective Service System (*applies to all males aged 18 – 25*).

To retain the tuition status, an individual shall:

- Use an address in the State on the Maryland income tax return of the individual or the individual's parent or legal guardian ANNUALLY until a degree is awarded.

QUESTIONS?

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NONRESIDENT TUITION EXEMPTION APPLICATION

This application, along with the following supporting documents, are required in order to be reviewed for exemption from out-of-state tuition rates or to be eligible for Maryland State Aid.

Documents are required by the start of the term to qualify for reduced tuition rates for that term.

1. Official high school transcript showing attendance at a secondary school in Maryland.
2. Official high school transcript showing proof of graduation from a secondary school in Maryland OR a GED issued by the State of Maryland OR a Maryland High School Diploma awarded through NEDP.
3. Maryland income tax returns (for self or parent/legal guardian) for 2 years prior to initial enrollment.
4. Proof of registration with Selective Service, if applicable.

I understand that to continue receiving the nonresident tuition exemption, I will be required to submit Maryland income tax forms to Howard Community College annually.

I certify that this application and supporting documents are truthful and complete. I understand that Howard Community College reserves the right to request additional information, if necessary.

I swear that I will file an application to become a permanent resident within 30 days of becoming eligible to do so.

Printed Name/Signature*

Date

*By checking this box, you are certifying your typed name as your official signature.

Student ID #

Country of Citizenship

Office Use Only

Official transcript verifying completion of Maryland high school ____ Date: ____

Tuition Rate

Enrollment is within 6 years of HS completion ____ Date: ____

In-county (5)

2 years of Maryland income tax returns ____ Date: ____

In-state (6)

Proof of selective service filing (if applicable) ____ Date: ____

The student is considered qualified at time of application.

Processor _____

Date _____