

On-campus Residency Requirement Policy

Students who live on campus are more likely to earn better grades, become involved on campus, interact with faculty, and are much more likely to graduate. Due to the significant link between academic retention and on-campus living, the Board of Regents and the University of Nebraska - College of Technical Agriculture adopted the following On-campus Residency Requirement:

All unmarried students who are enrolled for 12 or more credit hours, and who are under the age of 21, has fewer than 30 credit hours of post-secondary education or has a cumulative GPA of less than 2.0 as of the first day of the fall semester of the current academic year, are required to reside in on-campus housing. This policy is in effect for the entire academic year.

The on-campus residency requirement is administered with the following options to students:

- Option 1: A student may reside in the residence halls at the University of Nebraska-College of Technical Agriculture.
- Option 2: A student may live with his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and commute* from that home.
- Option 3: An “emancipated minor” who has previously established a residence independent from his/her parent(s) may commute* from that home. Emancipated minors must provide legal documentation verifying emancipated status.
- Option 4: A student may live with a “close” relative and commute* from that home. A “close relative” is defined as a grandparent, brother, sister, aunt or uncle. All relatives must **be adults 21 year of age or older**.
- Option 5: A student may live at the site of employment or internship as a requirement of the position and commute* from that location. (Documentation must be attached).

**** A reasonable commuting distance is defined as being within a 45-mile radius of the NCTA Campus. (Additionally, financial aid award budgets will be adjusted to reflect that the student will be commuting.) Mileage is determined by NCTA.***

For students under 21 years of age, the following situations qualify for an application to be exempted:

(Students who are requesting an exemption must complete the attached form and submit the specific documentation noted)

- A. Married student – proof of marriage is required (marriage certificate).
- B. Student with children – proof of birth is required (birth certificate).
- C. Student who has lived in University –approved housing for 2 or more semesters, (excluding summer sessions) at NCTA or another institution or who have completed or transferred 30 or more semester hours of post-secondary education.
- D. Students who have withdrawn from classes at the University of Nebraska—College of Technical Agriculture.

Special Circumstances:

To request an exemption for special circumstances please submit the attached form with a DETAILED summary of your circumstances.

Students under age 21 who wish to request an exemption for reasons other than those noted above may apply for a Special Circumstances exemption. To request a Special Circumstances exemption, the student must submit the attached form plus a DETAILED information summary explaining their circumstances to be reviewed by the Residency Compliance Committee.

Release from residency requirement is NOT guaranteed.

Students who do not comply may have their University records placed on hold or face other judicial sanctions.

Please allow two to three weeks for a final response.

Please only return this form if you plan to not live in on-campus housing.

For all options listed above, return completed request forms with accompanying documentation to:

Residence Life Manager

University of Nebraska-College of Technical Agriculture

404 E. 7th St

Curtis, NE 69025

Phone: (308) 367-5247 / Fax (308) 367-5203

