

# **Out-of-State Tuition Policy**

#### Introduction

Professional University Dr. Carlos J. Borrero Ríos welcomes applications from students across the nation and around the world. This policy outlines the criteria for determining out-of-state residency for tuition purposes and details the associated costs.

## **Residency Classification**

To qualify for in-state tuition, a student must be classified as a resident of Puerto Rico. Here are the primary factors considered for residency classification:

- **Domicile:** A student's domicile is their permanent home, where they intend to return after completing their education. Factors considered for establishing domicile include:
  - o Living in the state for at least 12 consecutive months **prior to enrollment**, with proof of a permanent residence (e.g., lease agreement, utility bills).
  - Employment in the state.
  - o Payment of state taxes.
  - Voter registration in the state.
  - o Possession of a state driver's license.
- **Financial Independence:** Students under the age of 21 are generally considered financially dependent on their parents/guardians. The residency status of their parents/guardians will determine their own residency classification.
- **Intent:** Students must demonstrate a bona fide intent to establish residency in Puerto Rico for reasons other than attending the university.

## **Documentation Requirements**

Students seeking in-state tuition classification must submit the following documentation to the Office of the Registrar:

- Proof of domicile in Puerto Rico for at least 12 months prior to enrollment (e.g., lease agreement, utility bills).
- Proof of employment in the state (if applicable).
- State tax returns (if applicable).
- Voter registration card (if applicable).
- State driver's license (if applicable).

• If financially dependent, documentation proving the in-state residency of parents/guardians (same documentation as above).

## **Appeal Process**

Students whose initial residency classification is out-of-state may appeal the decision by submitting a written appeal to the Office of the Registrar. The appeal should include the required documentation that supports their claim of in-state residency.

#### **Out-of-State Tuition Rates**

Out-of-state tuition rates are set annually by the university's Board of Trustees. These rates are typically higher than in-state tuition rates to reflect the additional costs associated with educating non-resident students. The specific out-of-state tuition rates will be published on the university's website.

#### Conclusion

Professional University Dr. Carlos J. Borrero Ríos is committed to providing a high-quality education to students from all backgrounds. We encourage out-of-state students to explore residency requirements and financial aid options to make attending PUDCJBR a possibility.

#### **Contact Information**

For further information on residency classification or financial aid, please contact:

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