Condit Bill

The following is a summary of the eligibility requirements for an exemption from the nonresident fee under the Condit Bill provision.

A. The student must not have lived in California as an adult (18 years or older) resident for more than one year, and the student must be the dependent child of a California resident parent.

B. The parent1 must have been a California resident for more than one year immediately prior to the residence determination date of the quarter for which the student wishes to qualify under the Condit Bill provision, and should claim the student as a dependent for income tax purposes.

The Condit Bill provision may still apply to a student’s residence case even if the California resident parent has not claimed the student as a dependent for income tax purposes for the past year. The student must be prepared to present documentation that verifies that he/she has been considered financially dependent upon the California resident parent for a minimum of one year prior to the residence determination date of the term for which classification as a resident is requested (e.g., a photocopy of a divorce or separation agreement specifically naming the California resident parent as a source of financial support).

In order to determine a student’s eligibility for an exemption under the Condit Bill provision, the student must be prepared to provide a copy of the parent’s state and federal income tax return(s), indicating that the student was claimed as a dependent for tax purposes, along with any additional documentation requested by the Residence Deputy.

After the student has resided in California as an adult (at least 18 years of age) for one year, he/she becomes ineligible to pay resident tuition under the Condit Bill provision. In order to avoid paying nonresident tuition when the provision period ends, it is imperative that the student take steps to establish his/her own residence in California immediately upon arrival in the state (see Legal Residence Information handout for guidelines on establishing residence in the state of California).

Under the Condit Bill provision the student will be given a waiver from the nonresident fee for each term of enrollment for up to one year, so long as continuous full-time attendance is maintained at a post-secondary institution. During the period for which the student receives a waiver, he/she remains classified as a nonresident for tuition purposes. Following the period of exemption, the student becomes ineligible for the waiver and must be reevaluated to determine if he/she qualifies for classification as a resident (see Reclassification Information handout for details on establishing California residence and the reclassification process).

NOTICE: The student is cautioned that this summation is not a complete explanation of the laws regarding residence. Applicable sections of the Education Code and the regulations adopted by The Regents of the University of California are available for inspection at the Office of the Registrar. Changes may be made in the residence requirements between the publication date of this statement and the relevant residence determination date. Please refer any questions to the Residence Deputy at (949) 824-6129 or e-mail Res-Dep@uci.edu.

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1 “Parent” – the natural or adoptive father or mother; or, if both parents are deceased, his/her legal guardian. The term “parent” does not include step-parents unless expressly noted.