

Declaration: Legal Presence in the United States AND State of Legal Residence

As of June 4, 2008, the South Carolina Illegal Immigration Reform Act (S. C. Code Ann. §59-101-430 (Westlaw 2008)) prohibits those unlawfully present in the United States from attending a public institution of higher education in South Carolina and from receiving a public higher education benefit:

- An alien unlawfully present in the United States is not eligible to attend a public institution of higher learning in this State, as defined in Section 59-103-5. The trustees of a public institution of higher learning in this State shall develop and institute a process by which lawful presence in the United States is verified. In doing so, institution personnel shall not attempt to independently verify the immigration status of any alien, but shall verify any alien's immigration status with the federal government pursuant to 8 U.S.C. Section 1373©.
- An alien unlawfully present in the United States is not eligible on the basis of residence for a public higher education benefit including, but not limited to, scholarships, financial aid, grants, or resident tuition.

Your documents may be verified through Government Databases.

(Check One): ☐ I am a United States Citizen ☐ I am not a United States Citizen

I or the person who claims me as a tax dependent has lived in South Carolina continuously for the last 12 months. ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what county? ☐ Greenville ☐ Other: _____

If no, what state? _____ Began residency in South Carolina: _____

By signing this statement, you attest and can prove that you are either a United States Citizen or a Non- United States Citizen lawfully present in the United States. In addition, Greenville Technical College will require you to submit documentation that supports your claim for lawful presence. Any student who is found to be unlawfully present in the United States will be dismissed from the college. **Note: This form will not be accepted nor processed without documentation and your signature.**

Print Full Name: _____ Signature: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Student ID number: _____ Date _____

DOCUMENTATION OPTIONS: All students must provide the required documentation outlined below as evidence of US Legal Presence and State Residency.

- **Greenville County High School, Charter High School, Career Center Students:**
Coordinate with your high school counselor to gather these support documents into a packet that they will submit to Early College
- **Home School Students or Students from Private Schools, Online Academies, out-of-county, etc.:**
Email a scanned copy of your support documents to EarlyCollege@gvltec.edu

Please check the document type(s) used:

☐ **CLEAR COPY: Current Valid Government-Issued Photo ID: Unexpired DMV Issued Driver's License/Beginners Permit or State ID, or CDL.** State _____ # _____ Expiration _____

(NOTE: The District of Columbia and following states *do not verify legal presence* in the United States via the DMV: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, and Washington - We can only accept documents from these states with a US Birth Certificate.)

☐ US Birth Certificate: State _____ * MUST ALSO PRESENT CURRENT Valid Government-Issued Photo ID

☐ United States Passport: Expiration Date _____

☐ Certificate of U.S. Citizenship (USCIS issued Form N-560 or Form N-561) **and** a Current Valid Government-Issued Photo ID

☐ Certification of Naturalization (USCIS issued Form N-550 or Form N-570) and a Current Valid Government-Issued Photo ID

☐ **Permanent residents** must provide one of the following **and** a Current Valid Government-Issued Photo ID:

☐ Permanent Residence Card issued since 1997; Resident Alien Card (I-551) issued before 1997; Alien Registration Receipt Card (I-551) issued before June 1978;

☐ Letter from USCIS documenting that permanent resident status has been approved

☐ **Legal immigrant and non-immigrant foreign nationals** must provide one of the following **and** a Current Valid Government-Issued Photo ID:

☐ Current/valid Visa or Passport

☐ Current/valid Refugee, Asylee, or Parolee documentation

☐ Current/valid Documents for Other Legal Statuses

☐ Deferred Action Recipients: Employment Authorization Card or Approval Letter from USCIS (I797)

For Admissions Use: Residency: 1a 1b 2 Student Type: REG TRS SRC

Officer: _____ Date _____