Exemptions to the non-resident tuition fee requirements include any students, other than non-immigrant aliens under 8 U.S. Code Section 1101(a)(15), who meet the following requirements:

- high school attendance in California for three or more years
- graduation from a California high school or attainment of the equivalent thereof
- registration or enrollment in a course offered for any term commencing on or after January 1, 2002
- completion of a questionnaire form prescribed by the State Chancellor’s Office verifying eligibility for this non-resident tuition exemption and
- in the case of a student without lawful immigration status, the filing of an affidavit that the student has filed an application to legalize his/her immigration status, or will file an application as soon as he/she is eligible to do so

Non-resident tuition fees will be approved by the Board of Trustees no later than February 1 of each year.

The calculation of non-resident tuition shall reflect the current expense of education calculated according to the Budget and Accounting Manual.

The calculation of non-resident tuition will include the expense of education in the preceding fiscal year.

The calculation shall reflect fees in contiguous Districts.

Full refunds of non-resident tuition fees will be granted through 14 calendar days of a full semester and ten percent of the length of the course for short-term classes and summer term classes.

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