

9. In the event that a legal resident of Georgia is appointed as guardian of a non-resident minor, such minor will not be permitted to register as a resident student until the expiration of one year from the date of court appointment, and then only upon proper showing that such appointment was not made to avoid payment of the non-resident fees.
10. Career Consular officers and their dependents who are citizens of the foreign nation which their Consular office represents and who are stationed and living in Georgia under orders of their respective governments shall be entitled to enroll in University institutions on payment of resident fees. This arrangement shall apply to those Consular officers whose nations operate on the principle of educational reciprocity with the United States.
11. Military personnel and their dependents stationed in Georgia and on active duty, except military personnel assigned to System institutions for educational purposes, shall pay the same fees assessed residents of Georgia.
12. A nonresident student whose parent, spouse, or legal guardian who has been a legal resident of Georgia for at least twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the date of registration, shall pay the same fees assessed residents of Georgia.

The burden of proof of residency status rests with the student. The college reserves the right to require the documentation it deems necessary when a student feels that circumstances have changed to warrant reconsideration of residency status. It shall be the student's responsibility to submit a petition for review. To be guaranteed residency consideration, the petition should be submitted prior to the beginning of the semester that residency is requested.

13. Recently Separated Military Service Personnel – Members of a uniformed military service of the United States who, within twelve months of separation from such service, enroll in an academic program and demonstrate the intent to become a permanent resident of Georgia. This waiver may be granted for not more than one year.

E. APPEAL OF RESIDENCY CLASSIFICATION

Students have the right to appeal their residency classification. Such an appeal must state the nature of the grievance and the desired outcome in writing and must be directed to the President of the College.

F. STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

Darton State College offers a variety of financial aid programs, which include grants, scholarships, loans and employment opportunities. To be considered for any type of financial aid, an applicant must (1) be admitted as a regular student and (2) complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA.) Financial aid awards are made on a rolling basis throughout the year. Students must re-apply each year to determine continued eligibility.

Federal Pell Grant - Largest federal aid program; based on need.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) - Limited funds for students with exceptional need.

Federal Work Study (FWS) - Opportunity to earn financial aid through work; based on need. To be considered for FWS, students should apply through the Career Development Center.