What is reciprocity?*

Students from North Dakota and South Dakota will pay a tuition that is comparable to the in-state, resident tuition rate of students from Minnesota. For students with reciprocity, the University of Minnesota offers a world-class education at a great value.

How do I apply for reciprocity?

You must contact the reciprocity program office in your home state before the beginning of the term for which you are admitted. Reciprocity application forms are usually available in April for the following academic year. The forms will also be available to pick up at the Office of Admissions at the University of Minnesota. Please contact the following office if you would like an application sent to you:

North Dakota University System
State Capital
600 E. Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 215
Bismarck, ND 58505-0230
(701)328-4113
http://www.ndus.nodak.edu

South Dakota Board of Regents
Reciprocity Program
Box 2201
Brookings, SD 57007-1198
(605)688-4497

Do I have to apply for reciprocity every year?

No, your reciprocity tuition status is automatically renewed if you have been a continuing student. Exceptions to this include: study abroad or study on a National Student Exchange (NSE) program for an academic year, or a one year absence from school at the U of M. If you are absent from the University of Minnesota for an academic year, for any reason, you must reapply for reciprocity.

What is the deadline for the application?

Students should apply for reciprocity after they have been admitted to the U of M and before the start of the term for which they are admitted. Forms are generally available in April from your home state's reciprocity program office. The final deadline is the last day of class for the term for which you would like reciprocity tuition rates.

Can my application for reciprocity be denied?

Because reciprocity is approved by your home state and is based upon your residency status in that state, you must meet your state's criteria for residency. You should contact your home state's reciprocity program office if your application is denied.

Do I have to apply for reciprocity if I transfer to the University of Minnesota—Twin Cities from another public institution in Minnesota where I have reciprocity?

You must notify, in writing, your home state's reciprocity program office that you are transferring to the University of Minnesota—Twin Cities.

What if reciprocity agreements end?

If you enter the University under the current reciprocity agreements, and reciprocity is dissolved while you are a student, you will continue to be eligible for reciprocity under the original agreement as long as you maintain consecutive term enrollment for fall and spring semester of each academic year through graduation. In the event that the reciprocity agreement is ever dissolved, the University would be notified by the state higher education agencies well in advance of the program's end.

*For students enrolling for Fall 2006 and later, the reciprocity agreement with North Dakota will no longer include students in the following first professional programs: Dentistry (D.D.S.), Law (J.D.), Medicine (M.D.), Pharmacy (D.Pharm), and Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.).

Reciprocity Questions

If you have additional questions, please contact your home state reciprocity program office or contact us in the Office of Admissions.

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