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RE: SPAF Tuition Remission and Identifying RA Positions

SPAF Tuition Remission

PIs requesting tuition remission for RA positions should use the out-of-state rate for the SPAF unless the designated RA is a Pennsylvania resident and is available as a RA for the duration of the grant or contract. If a PI has specified the in-state tuition rate in the SPAF and an out-of-state resident becomes a RA on the grant or contract, the PI will be responsible for the difference in the tuition rate for the out-of-state student. Therefore, under the current practices for RA tuition remission the out-of-state tuition rate will 'protect' the PI from potential additional tuition expenses

For a student to be declared an in-state resident of Pennsylvania, the student <u>must have lived in</u> <u>Pennsylvania for 12 consecutive months prior to matriculation</u> into a graduate program. Further, there are driver license, car registration, and voter registration requirements for residency. The Registrar's link for Pennsylvania residency requirements is: <u>http://www.temple.edu/registrar/students/registration/residency/</u>

Identifying RA Positions

Currently enrolled RAs should be identified whenever possible on grants and contracts. However, the requested tuition rate should be at the out-of-state rate in the case that named graduate student RA is replaced with another RA.