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Getting a Virginia driver license or identification card

If you wish to drive in the U.S., you must get a Virginia driver license within 60 days of entering the U.S. If you hold a license from another U.S. state or Canada, you must change your license to Virginia within 30 days.

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For secondary proof of residence, you may use:

Postmarked mail displaying the applicant's name and current address
Official document or correspondence from a federal, state, or local government agency displaying the applicant's name and current address

Billing statement or other official document from a recognizable business displaying the applicant's name and current address. Examples: Bank statement, pay stub, car insurance bill (but not cards or policies).
Official transcript from Shenandoah University. Transcripts are free but may take up to ten business days, and are mailed via regular mail. You can request yours [here](#); select the "Transcript Request Form."

All documents must be originals; you may not submit copies.

Additional information:

In general, applicants possessing a foreign driver's license must take a knowledge test, road skills test, and vision screening test. If you need contacts or eyeglasses to drive, make sure you are wearing them when you go to apply for your license. If you are 19 or older, and you hold a valid driver's license issued by a U.S. state or territory, Canada, France, or Germany, you may not be required to take the written exam or road test.

If you need to take the knowledge exam, you can find a "[Driver's Study Guide](#)" and practice exams on the DMV website.

If you have a license from another U.S. state or Canadian province, it will be invalidated when you get your Virginia license.

Your driver license will be issued for the length of time on your I-20 or DS-2019.

State Identification (ID) Card

ID cards are commonly recognized across the U.S., and an easier way to establish identity and age than carrying your passport. You can obtain an ID card with the same documents as for a driver license. The fee is \$10.

Nearest DMV:

The local DMV is located at 4050 Valley Pike, Winchester, approximately five miles south of campus. Hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday to Friday, and 8 a.m.-12 p.m. on Saturday, except holidays. You can find wait times on their [website](#).