



THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM

RESIDENCY DETERMINATION SERVICE (RDS)

UNC System Campus Liaisons

July 8, 2021

- I. **Welcome and UNC System Updates** – *Bethany Meighen, Vice President for Student Affairs, UNC System*
 - [UNC System Coronavirus Resource Center](#)
 - [UNC Essential Workers](#)
 - [July 21-22 Board of Governors' Meeting Materials](#)
 - [New Board of Governors' Members](#)
 - [UNC System Awards Three ROI Grants](#)

- II. **SEAA Update** – *Gene Ritter, Residency Program Manager, SEAA*
 - SEAA Appeals
 - Last level appeal goes to SEAA – only had 17 in the past year
 - Traci will share all the other stats soon
 - Review of recent changes (2021)
 - Made changes around veteran's choice act. Removed 3 year cap and effective August 1
 - Changed interview to reflect this change
 - Our understanding is that this change is not retroactive, however if the VA grants an award retroactive to a previous term, the account should be adjusted to In-State tuition rate.
 - Grace periods to not apply if they had an exception or a waiver
 - Questions received regarding UNC-System exceptions
 - UNC full scholarship excludes athletics
 - Employee who did not hold an eligible immigrant status
 - Would not be eligible. Must have legal capacity and establish a NC residence for exception for duration.
 - Community College exceptions update
 - Under certain circumstances, if a student does not currently have an eligible status after graduating high school, they may be able to get a waiver at their campus.
 - Updates on legislative session
 - Out/in for active duty military based in NC who was accepted into a program during their senior year of HS. If service member gets transferred during the year, the student can keep the O/I determination if they have already been admitted AND enrolls by the next fall term.
 - Language going in to clarify the removal of the 3 year, post discharge requirement for someone using a VA educational benefit.

- RDS Guidebook and Campus Responsibility Manual updates
 - Hoping to have the updates of both documents out next month
 - Received feedback from legal on our suggested changes and we are updating to include latest legislative changes.
 - Web session on campus responsibilities – Fall 2021
 - Will schedule a web session soon to review the new documents, especially the Campus Responsibility Manual.
 - Updates on campus contacts
 - Please let [Lydia](#) know if there are new campus contacts that should be added to the contact list, listsrv, or meeting invitations
- III. RDS Technical and Functional Update – *Traci Mitchell, Program Manager RDS, College Foundation of North Carolina*
- Looking at this quarter vs. last year, it is down 1.3%
 - Starting to look more normal than it has over the past year
 - Had an RDS release yesterday and will be getting an email soon regarding that
 - Have had issues with multiple CFNC/RDS accounts being created and students getting an error message
 - Are now able to retrieve their original account and not have to use the call center for help
 - Updated the Interpol cutoff policy document stating it is staying at 45 days
- IV. Technical Updates – Ryan Staples, UNC System
- New exception code coming from RDS related to the grace period and trying to figure out how to handle that from a reporting/campus operational perspective
 - This code (GRPRD) is applied when a campus notifies RDS that the student has had a change in circumstances, and has been granted a 12 month grace period before reverting to a non-resident status.
 - Will have more information about this in the future once we figure out how to handle it in Student Data Mart
- V. Roundtable Discussion
- a. Feedback on RDS Uniform Cut-off Policy for 2021-22 academic year
 - Please reach out to [Bethany](#) or [Lydia](#) with any feedback or concerns and we will take it back to our senior leadership

Questions

- NCCU – has been having some issues with miss matches in regards to name changes, how do you handle that?
 - At UNCP if they have legally changed their name, they have to go through the formal process at the registrar's office as well
 - At A&T, based on the correct name, they have them either correct it with RDS or we correct it in our system (require an ID with the new name)

Participants:

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