

HOW TO OBTAIN A CALIFORNIA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD

CSUDH OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL
EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE (DMV)



The Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) is responsible for administering vehicle registration, driver licensing, and identification cards

Types of Drivers Licenses

There are 4 types of non-commercial driver's licenses (DL)

1. Basic DL- Class C for standard vehicle or truck.
2. Motorcycle-Class M1 or M2 for 2-wheel motorized vehicles.
3. Travel trailer-Class A for a vehicle over 15,000 pounds gross vehicle weight
4. Motorhome- Class B for a vehicle between 40-45 feet.



STEPS TO OBTAIN A DRIVERS LICENSE

1. Complete a Drivers' License/ID application (www.dmv.ca.gov)
2. Schedule an appointment at a local DMV
3. Visit DMV office and provide the following:
 - a. Proof of identity and residency
 - b. Pay the nonrefundable application fee (\$39)
 - c. Have your thumbprint scanned
 - d. Pass a vision exam
 - e. Have your photo taken
 - f. Pass a knowledge test (You have three chances to pass)
 - g. Pass a driving test (schedule appointment at DMV)



DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO PROVE YOUR IDENTITY

You must present the following documents to prove your identity:

1. Unexpired foreign passport
2. Valid Visa
3. I-94 form
4. I-20 or DS-2019 form



Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

1-20 Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status
FORM NO. 1043 (03/09)

SEVIS ID: **800047206931**

NEW NAME-PRIMARY NAME JAYANTA	GIVEN NAME JAYANTA	Class of Admission F-1
PREFERRED NAME Jayanta Ghoshal, JJ	FAMILY NAME GHOSHAL	ACADEMIC AND LANGUAGE
COUNTRY OF BIRTH INDIA	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP INDIA	
DATE OF BIRTH 24 NOV 1975	ADMISSION NUMBER 800047206931	
HOMEPOST REGION WESTBENGAL	LEGACY NAME	

SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL NAME JAYANTA Ghoshal, JJ Advanced JETEE Student	SCHOOL ADDRESS 1000 Spring Lane, Ft. Washington, PA 19374
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SCHOOL OFFICIAL (RECONSULT UPON ARRIVAL) Jayanta Ghoshal	SCHOOL CODE AND APPROVAL DATE 800047206931

PROGRAM OF STUDY

PROGRAM LEVEL	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
REGULATORY	History and Philosophy of Education and Technology 36-0104	36-01010

PROGRAM ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY NOTES	EARLIEST ADMISSION DATE
Student is proficient	10 APRIL 2018

START OF CLASSES

PROGRAM START/END DATE	10 APRIL 2018 - 10 APR 2019
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FINANCIALS

ESTIMATED AVERAGE COSTS FOR 9 MONTHS	STUDENT'S RESOURCES FOR 9 MONTHS
Tuition and Fees	15,000
Living Expenses	4,000
Insurance of Dependents (if)	0
Other	0
TOTAL	19,000

REMARKS

U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Securing America's Borders

Most Recent I-94

Admission (I-94) Record Number : 245120407A2
Most Recent Date of Entry: 2018 September 20
Class of Admission [F1]
Admit Until Date [05]
Details provided on the I-94 information form.

Last(Surname) : ██████████
First (Given) Name : ██████████
Birth Date : ██████████
Passport Number : ██████████
Country of Issuance : ██████████

DOCUMENTS NEEDED FOR RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

You must present **two** printed documents that provide proof of CA residency. Acceptable documents are:

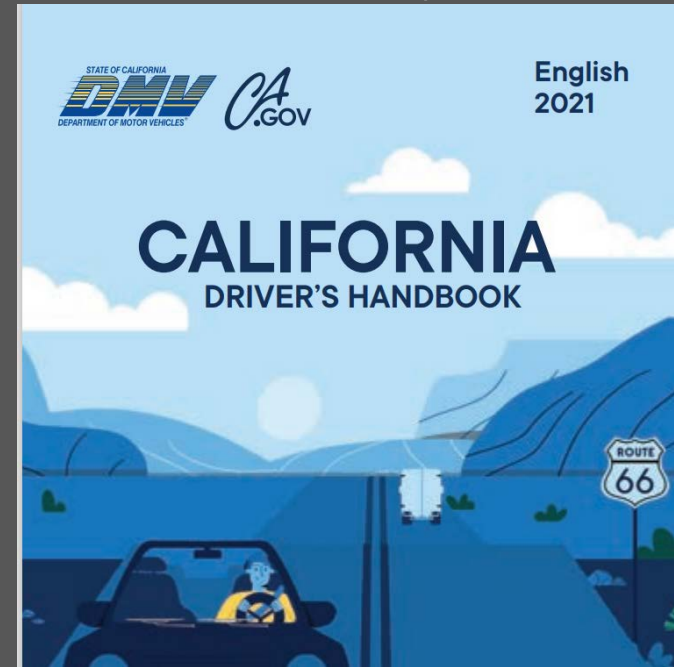
1. Rental/lease agreement with signatures of the owner/landlord and tenant
2. A utility bill or cellular phone bill
3. Any school document issued by a US institution that includes your date of birth
4. Medical document
5. Employment document
6. Insurance document including medical, dental, vision, life, home, rental, or vehicle

***All residency documents must list the applicant's first and last name and the California mailing address must match the mailing address listed on the driver's license application.**

THE KNOWLEDGE & DRIVING TEST

Before you can get a DL in California, you'll need to first pass a relevant knowledge test and then pass a driving test. Both of these tests are designed to show that you understand the rules of the road and are comfortable driving the vehicle that the license will allow you to drive.

1. Review the CA Driver Handbook
2. Review sample test knowledge test questions



KNOWLEDGE TEST VS DRIVING TEST

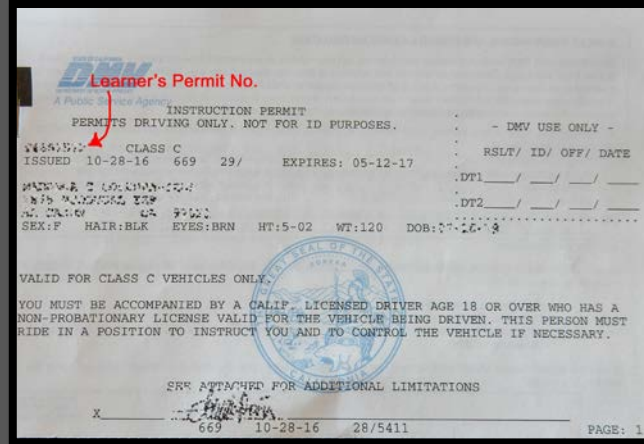
Knowledge Test- A multiple-choice exam that shows you understand traffic laws and safety. Review the California Driver Handbook and sample driver license test on the DMV website.



Driving Test- You are required to take a behind-the-wheel driving test with a DMV examiner to ensure that you can operate a vehicle safely and can apply your knowledge of traffic laws in real-life situations.

IF YOU NEVER HAVE A DRIVERS LICENSE

After successfully passing the knowledge test, you will be issued an instruction permit.



An instruction permit is issued for the purpose of permitting a student driver to legally practice their driving when accompanied by a licensed CA driver who is at least 21 years of age and has had at least one year of driving experience.

IDENTIFICATION CARDS

THREE TYPES OF ID CARDS:

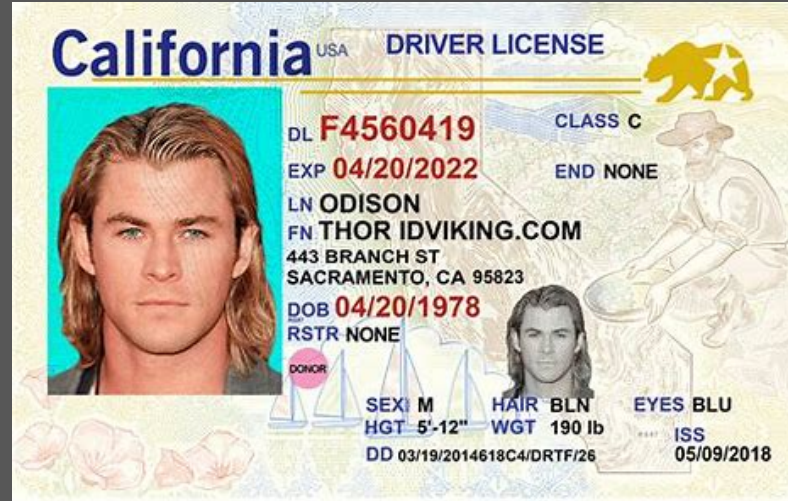
1. REAL ID CARD
2. STANDARD ID CARD
3. SENIOR CITIZEN ID CARD



REAL DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD

As of May 7, 2025, you will not be allowed to use your driver's license to board a domestic flight unless it is REAL ID compliant. This requirement will also be enforced on military bases, federal courthouses, and other federal facilities.

WHAT IS A REAL ID



A REAL ID is a driver's license or identification card that is federally accepted as a form of identification. REAL IDs are marked with a gold bear and star.

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Living Expenses	\$ 4,000	Funds From This School	\$ 0
Insurance of Dependents (if)	\$ 0	Funds From Another Source	\$ 0
Other	\$ 0	Un-Used Amount	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$ 19,000	TOTAL	\$ 15,000
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