How to Obtain a Missouri Driver’s License

The state of Missouri will issue driver’s licenses to nonresidents of the United States. If you would like to obtain a driver’s license, you will need to follow the following steps.

1. For F-1, F-2, J-1, and J-2 students, scholars, and dependents and H-1B and H-4 scholars and dependents, if the University of Missouri – St. Louis sponsors your visa, we can issue you a letter of status for item #4 below. Completed the attached form or request the letter on our website.

2. If you do not have a Social Security Number, visit the Social Security Administration office (directions attached) to get a letter proving you are ineligible for a Social Security Number.

3. You will need to pass a written driving exam as well as a driving test. These tests are administered by the Missouri Highway Patrol. The written exam is a 25 question test, and the driving test will test you ability to drive, change lanes, park, etc. as a Missouri Highway Patrol person (police officer) accompanies you on a drive. There is no fee for this exam, but you will need to provide your own vehicle (that of a friend or relative) for the driving test. (Those with a currently-valid driver’s license from another US state are not required to take this exam). See the attached list of Missouri Highway Patrol offices for locations.

4. Upon successful completion of the written driving exam and the driving test, you will then need to apply for a license through the Missouri Department of Revenue at a Driver’s License office. See the attached list of Driver’s License offices for locations. At the Driver’s License office, you will need to provide:

   a. $22.50 for a three-year license (Please note that currently non US Citizens will receive expiration dates according to their immigration documentation. It is common to only receive one-year terms).
   b. Proof that you have completed the written diving exam and driving test.
   c. Proof of your identity in the form of a Social Security Number (card) or a denial letter from the Social Security Administration.
   d. Proof of Missouri residence (e.g., a utility bill or government correspondence with your Missouri address, etc.).
   e. Proof of your legal residence in the United States. Depending on your visa status, the required proof of legal resident will change as in the chart:

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<td>Passport, visa, I-94, I-20, written verification from UMSL of F-1’s status (complete the attached request form)</td>
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<td>H-1B or H-4</td>
<td>Passport, visa, I-94, written verification from employer of H-1B’s status (contact your company)</td>
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<td>Passport, visa, I-94, DS-2019, written verification from UMSL of J-1’s status (complete the attached request form)</td>
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Getting to a Social Security Administration Office

Address: 5669 Delmar Boulevard
Saint Louis, MO 63112

Hours: 9:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday.

Description: On Delmar between DeBaliviere and Goodfellow, close to the corner of Delmar and DeBaliviere, next to the People’s Comprehensive Health Center.

Getting There: The office is approximately 5 blocks north of the “Forest Park-DeBaliviere” MetroLink stop. Take the MetroLink from either the north or south campus stop west towards Illinois (usually towards “Shiloh-Scott”). The “Forest Park” stop is after the “Delmar” stop and before the “Central West End” stop. After exiting the MetroLink station, head north (away from Forest Park) on DeBaliviere. After approximately 5 blocks, DeBaliviere will meet Delmar. The office is just east of this intersection on the north side of Delmar.

Map:

This is the easiest location to reach using public transportation. To look up SSA offices that may be a closer driving distance to your location, check their website (http://www.ssa.gov/) and click on the ‘Find a Social Security Office’ link in the left menu.
Missouri Highway Patrol Locations

Three branches of the Missouri Highway patrol are relatively near to UMSL. Their addresses, phone number, and hours of operation are below. Students without access to a vehicle should consult the metro website: [www.metrostlouis.org](http://www.metrostlouis.org) for more information about bus connections. Note that a Department of Revenue Drivers Licensing Location is near to either of these Highway Patrol Locations.

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<tr>
<td>4626 South Kingshighway St. Louis, MO</td>
<td>(314) 481-8668</td>
<td>Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-5:00pm</td>
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<tr>
<td>3256 Laclede Station Rd. Suite 100 Maplewood, MO</td>
<td>(314) 877-0199</td>
<td>Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-5:00pm</td>
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A complete list of offices of the Missouri Highway Patrol can be found on their website by clicking on the link for Missouri driver exam test locations. ([http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov](http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov)) Note that St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles County, Jefferson County, and Franklin Country are all in Troop C.

Missouri Department of Revenue Driver’s Licensing Locations

Six branches of the Missouri Department of Revenue’s that offer driver’s licensing relatively near to UMSL. Their addresses, phone number, and hours of operation are below. Students without access to a vehicle should consult the metro website: [www.metrostlouis.org](http://www.metrostlouis.org) for more information about bus connections. Note that three of the locations are also adjacent to Missouri Highway Patrol offices.

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<td>9652 Olive Blvd St. Louis, MO 63132</td>
<td>(314) 692-8222</td>
<td>Monday-Friday: 9AM-5PM Saturday: 9AM-12 Noon</td>
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<td>3917 Lindell Blvd St. Louis, MO 63108</td>
<td>(314) 531-0700</td>
<td>Monday-Friday: 9AM-5PM Saturday: 9AM-1PM</td>
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<tr>
<td>32 North Central Clayton, MO 63105</td>
<td>(314) 863-5331</td>
<td>Monday-Friday: 9AM-5PM First &amp; Last Saturday: 9AM-12:30</td>
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<tr>
<td>3238 Laclede Station Rd Maplewood, MO 63143</td>
<td>(314) 645-1044</td>
<td>Monday-Friday: 8:30AM-5PM First &amp; Last Saturday: 9AM-1PM Last 5 Business Days: 8:30AM-5:30PM</td>
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Check the Missouri Department of Revenue website for a complete list of licensing office locations in St. Louis City and County. [http://dor.mo.gov/mvdl/offloc/](http://dor.mo.gov/mvdl/offloc/). Note that office locations sometimes change and hours of operation may change, so be sure to call ahead.
Status Letter Request Form

If the University of Missouri – St. Louis issued your I-20 or DS-2019 and you have been maintaining good status (F-1, F-2, J-1, J-2), or if the University sponsored your H-1B or H-4 visa, we can issue a letter of status to you for your driver’s license application. To request this letter, please fill out this request form completely and turn it in to the front desk in 261 MSC. This form should be filled out by the principal status holder (i.e. the person in F-1, J-1, or H-1B status). Be sure to apply promptly for your license or state ID. This letter will only be valid for a specified period of time.

Today’s Date: ________________

Name: ________________________________ Student Number: ________________

Email: ________________________________ Phone Number: ________________

Local Address: ________________________________

Visa Status: □ F-1 □ J-1 Current Program Level: □ Undergraduate □ Graduate □ Doctoral □ Scholar

Degree Program/Major: ________________________________ Current Enrollment: ________________________________

Expected Program Completion Date: ________________ I-20 /DS-2019 Expiration Date: ________________

Are you currently on a period of post-completion work authorization? □ Yes □ No (if ‘yes’ mark the appropriate box below)

□ OPT □ Academic Training

This letter will be used for:

□ Driver’s License
□ Missouri State ID card

This letter is for:

□ Student or Scholar only
□ Dependent(s) only (please complete the section below)
□ Both (please complete the section below)

Below, please fill in the name(s) of any dependent(s) who require this letter:

Dependent Name: ________________________________

Family/Last Name: ____________________________ Given/First Name(s): ____________________________

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Current Enrollment: ________________________________ Enrollment History: ________________________________

Periods of RCL? ________________________________ Hold(s)? ________________________________

Comments: ________________________________

Date completed: __________________ Signature: __________________