Waiving the RTD CollegePass and associated Fees

Frequently Asked Questions (updated 04/2019)

Do I qualify to waive the RTD CollegePass?

Students who meet at least one of the following criteria may be eligible to waive the RTD College Pass and associated student fee:

1. Resides in Colorado but lives outside of the RTD Service District. (To verify service for your location, enter your license plate number here or your address here)

2. Resides outside of the state of Colorado.

3. Enrolled in an elective that is specifically designed to send them away and outside of the RTD Service District.

4. Full time employees (50% time or greater) of the University of Colorado.
   Note, students employed with any other organization at the Anschutz Medical Campus such as Children's Hospital or UC Health are not able to waive - you must be employed with the University.

5. Active-duty military

6. Has an RTD ECOPass or equivalent through outside means.

How do I waive the RTD CollegePass?

If you meet any of the waiver qualifications outlined above, you may submit a waiver request using our online form. You will need to provide the documentation requested under 'Reason for requesting waiver.' Filing a waiver request does not guarantee that the waiver will be approved. Requests will be reviewed weekly, and students will be notified of approval or denial status.

How long does it take to waive the pass?

Up to 10 business days - When you submit a request to waive the fee, you will receive an approval or denial notification within five business days. Approved waivers will be reflected in student accounts within five business days of the approval notice.

How often do I have to waive the RTD CollegePass?

A new waiver must be submitted every semester in which a student is enrolled. The window to do so is generally the first 5-6 weeks of any given semester.

I am only taking online classes and never have to come to campus. Can I waive?

Being an online student is not one of the waiver criteria. If you live outside of Colorado or outside of the RTD Service District and are taking classes remotely, then you may waive for those reasons; but online students who live in the service district are not exempt.

I missed the deadline, but I live in Durango. Can I still waive?

Once the deadline has passed, it is not possible to waive the RTD CollegePass or associated fee, even if one would have qualified for it.

I waived the fee, but would now like to obtain a CollegePass.

If the fee deadline has passed for the current semester, it is unfortunately not possible to opt back into the program for a given semester. It will be possible to obtain one during the waiver period of the next semester in which you are enrolled.

If the fee deadline has not passed for the current semester and you already waived the CollegePass but would like to opt back in, contact the Office of Campus Student Services and provide your name and student ID number. They will have the fee added back to your account and authorize the Security and Badging Office to issue your CollegePass.

I am taking a semester off, can I opt into the CollegePass program?

It is unfortunately not possible to take part in the RTD CollegePass program during semesters in which you are not enrolled.

I am withdrawing/going on a leave of absence and will be refunded my tuition and fees – will the RTD CollegePass fee be refunded as well?

Due to the nature of our contract with RTD, it is unfortunately not possible to refund the RTD fee once the waiver deadline has passed.