



AmeriCorps Eligibility Requirements

Citizenship or Lawful Permanent Residence Documentation

To be eligible for the AmeriCorps Promise Fellow or VISTA* program a member must have one of the following citizenship statuses: U.S. Citizens, U.S. Nationals, or Lawful Permanent Resident Aliens (Lawful Permanent Residents).

The member must provide an original, valid document as proof of the above status.

Proof of Citizenship	Lawful Permanent Residence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A United States passport; • A birth certificate showing that the individual was born in one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, or the Northern Mariana Islands; • A report of birth abroad of a U.S. Citizen (FS-240) issued by the U.S. State Department; • A certificate of birth-foreign service (FS 545) issued by the U.S. State Dept.; • A certification of report of birth (DS-1350) issued by the U.S. State Dept.; • A certificate of naturalization (Form N- 550 or N-570) issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service; or • A certificate of citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561) issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanent Resident Card, INS Form I- 551; • Alien Registration Receipt Card, INS Form I-551; • A passport indicating that the INS has approved it as temporary evidence of lawful admission for permanent residence; or • A Departure Record (INS Form I-94) indicating that the INS has approved it as temporary evidence of lawful admission for permanent residence.

***VISTA Eligibility – End of Service Cash Stipend Only:**

Individuals are eligible to serve as a VISTA but by law not able to receive an Education Award if they have the following status: persons legally residing in a state that have the following legal residency classifications: refugee, asylum or asylee, temporary protected status or deferred action for childhood arrivals (DACA) status.