



DRIVING A CAR:

International visitors to CU Boulder generally find that using public transportation to get around the Denver/ Boulder metropolitan area is easy. However, many international visitors who are here for an extended period may find it difficult without owning a car.

According to Colorado Revised Statute 42-2-102(1)(f) "Any nonresident who is temporarily residing in Colorado for the principal purpose of furthering such nonresident's education, is at least sixteen years of age, has a valid driver's license from his or her state of residence, and is considered a nonresident for tuition purposes by the educational institution at which such nonresident is furthering his or her education is exempt from license."

Each international student situation is unique and we encourage you to call 303-205-5646 if you need more detailed information about your particular situation.

OBTAINING A COLORADO DRIVER'S LICENSE:

You may find it convenient to have a Colorado driver's license. Before you can get an instruction permit or driver's license, you must learn Colorado traffic laws and pass a vision test, written exam, and a driving test. If you buy a car to drive while you are here, you will need to have the car registered and to obtain automobile insurance.

The Colorado Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV), under the jurisdiction of the Colorado Department of Revenue, is the state office that issues Colorado driver's licenses, permits and state ID cards. Visit the [DMV website](#) for more detailed information.

If you are an international student, and you need to apply for a Colorado Driver's license, please note there are only 5 offices to do this in Colorado, none of which are in Boulder. You will need to schedule an appointment by visiting the [DMV website](#). Please note that with limited appointments, there are likely to be significant delays before you can get into an appointment. For more information about the process, contact the DMV directly.

The DMV Office in Boulder is located at 2850 Iris Avenue, Unit F, at the northeast end of 28th Street and the Diagonal Highway in the Diagonal Plaza shopping center (general telephone 303-442-3006). You can take the Bolt bus to the 28th Street and Highway 119 stop.