



How to Prepare for Naturalization

NATURALIZATION REQUIREMENTS

For an individual to become a U.S. Citizen, he or she must go through the process of naturalization.

Must be a Permanent Resident for at least 5 years

Apply 90 days before the 5th year anniversary of the issuance of Legal Permanent Residence

Demonstrate continued permanent residence

"Continued presence" means that an individual has not left the United States for a long period of time.

Demonstrate good moral character

USCIS will make a determination on moral character based upon the laws passed by Congress.

Demonstrate physical presence

"Physical presence" means that an individual must have actually been present in the United States for a certain number of months to be eligible for naturalization.

Pass Naturalization Interview

Demonstrate the ability to read, write, and speak English, and a basic knowledge of U.S. history and civic principles.

Take the oath of allegiance to the United States

Religious workers, contact us at RIS@cliniclegal.org.