



VERMONT FRENCH-CANADIAN
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

ACADIAN OR CAJUN PIN PROGRAM

Program Rules

We invite you to become aware of, appreciate, and experience pride in your rich cultural heritage. Participation is for those who are able to trace their ancestry to Acadians living in Acadia before 1755, OR to a group of people in southern Louisiana descended from French colonists exiled from Acadia in the 1700's.

1. Depending on where your ancestors resettled you can choose either the Acadian or Cajun pin. Your descendency chart will be available for use by others at the Vermont Genealogy Library. While only one proven chart is required for this program, you can submit as many charts as you like. The chart must show the applicant's ancestral line, by marriages, back to an Acadian Pioneer marriage. Application forms and blank charts are available at <https://www.vtgenlib.org/pin-programs/> for you to print out and complete.

2. One specially designed, 3/4" x 1/2" Acadian or Cajun pin will be awarded to each successful applicant upon receipt of this application and fee.



Acadian



Cajun

A \$6.00 fee must be submitted along with a completed chart. **Add \$7.00 for shipping and handling to U.S. addresses, if the pin has to be mailed.** Additional pins may be purchased for \$6.00 each. For quantities of six or more, or to ship outside the U.S., contact us directly at mail@vtgenlib.org.

3. The application and descendency chart should be mailed or delivered to the Vermont Genealogy Library, Attn: Pin Program, 57 River Road, Suite 1027, Essex Junction, VT 05452.

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Application Form - If Member, please write in your VT-FCGS Member# _____ No of pins: Acadian _____

Name _____ Cajun _____

Mailing Address _____ @ \$6 ea. \$ _____

Town/City/State _____ S/H \$ _____

Zip Code _____ E-Mail address _____ Total \$ _____

Please include payment, with application, chart & proof.



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Instructions

1. To qualify for this program, you must have a familial connection to one or more Acadians living in Acadia before 1755, OR to a group of people in southern Louisiana descended from French colonists exiled from Acadia in the 1700's.
2. You don't need to be a direct descendant; however, you do need to be related to them via a Common Ancestor.
3. A descendency chart template is available at <https://www.vtgenlib.org/pin-programs/>. See example charts found at the link. Any standard descendency chart is acceptable.
4. A list of Acadian marriages can be found at our library or on our web site: www.vtgenlib.org/general/projects_programs_pins/Acadian_pin_Program.php
5. Your checklist tasks:
 - Descendency chart
 - Proof and citation
 - Application form
 - Fee