

Application for Visa Document

Semester for Which You Have Applied: _____

Instructions: Please read entire form before answering questions. Type or print in ink. Complete all boxes.

This form will help us determine whether you meet the financial requirements necessary for being issued a Certificate of Eligibility for Student Visa (I-20 or DS-2019). All international students must show evidence of their finances before we can issue a visa document. The law requires us to be assured that you will have enough money to meet educational and living expenses for each year that you plan to study in the United States.

Name in full as it appears on passport: _____
 Family Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____
 City of Birth: _____ Birth Country: _____ Citizenship Country: _____ Residency Country: _____
 Date of Birth (mo/day/year): _____ Gender: male female Have you attended Penn State before: yes no
 Most recent occupation in home country (if student, state educational level): _____

Are you now in the United States on an F-1 or J-1 student visa?

or have you been in the U.S. on a student visa and you will have been outside the U.S. for 5 months or less when the Penn State semester starts?

or are you planning on entering the U.S. on a student visa for another school to attend a language program or engage in other short term study prior to coming to Penn State?

yes no

Which school in the U.S.? _____

Please send copies of the following documents:

- your current visa
- all I-20s and/or DS-2019s
- your current I-94
- I-94s and visas of all dependents

If you answered "yes" to any of the above, you will receive a "Request for Release of SEVIS Data" after admission. Present this request to the school you listed above to ask them to release your data in SEVIS (the international student tracking database).

Document to be issued by Penn State:

- I-20 (for F-1 student visa). My primary source of funding will be a Penn State assistantship, personal funds, or funds from family or friends. (F-1 dependents will be issued F-2 visas.)
- DS-2019 (for J-1 Exchange Visitor/Student visa). My primary source of funding will be U.S. or home-country government or an international organization. (J-1 dependents will be issued J-2 visas.)
- I do not need a Penn State document because
 - My sponsoring agency will issue it.
 - I will remain on my _____ visa (attach photocopies of your visa and I-94). If you are now F-1 or J-1, you must request a new document from Penn State.
 - I am a permanent resident (attach copy of "green card").

Marital and Dependent Status: If your dependents (spouse and/or children under 21) will accompany you or join you within the first six months, you must provide financial support and information for dependents now. If you do not, you **must wait six months after the first day of class** to apply for them to join you in the U.S.

- I am not married.
- I am married but plan to come alone and I will not request a document for my dependents for at least six months after I arrive.
- I am married and my spouse is a Penn State student. Name of spouse: _____
 Penn State student I.D. of spouse (if known): _____
- I am married and the dependents listed below will come with me, are already in the United States, or will join me within 6 months (approximate date you think they will come: _____):

Family name	First Name	Middle Name	Relationship to You	Birth Date (mm/dd/yy)	Birth City & Birth Country	Country of Citizenship & Country of Residence

If you have more dependents, please add a sheet of paper with the information above for each dependent.

FINANCIAL CERTIFICATION

NOTE: You must provide evidence of your ability to meet your tuition and living expenses before any document will be issued. Current estimates of these expenses are online at www.international.psu.edu/international_students/financial_guarantee_req.htm. Alternatively, you may contact the Pre-Arrival & Initial Document Services office by e-mail at international@ip.psu.edu or by mail at the Office of International Student Services, The Pennsylvania State University, 410 Boucke Building, University Park, PA 16802. Telephone 814-865-6348. Fax 814-865-6480. If accompanied by dependents, you will be fully responsible for their support and additional funds will be required for their living expenses, medical insurance, and child care. (Tuition charges are set July 15 immediately preceding each academic year and are available at www.bursar.psu.edu.)

SOURCES OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FIRST YEAR OF STUDY.

1. \$ _____ *Own funds.* Attach an official bank statement, in your name, dated within the last six months, that includes current account balance and equivalent in U.S. dollars or current exchange rate.

2. \$ _____ *Family or other personal support.* If guarantor is not a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, attach notarized affidavit indicating the amount of guaranteed support and a bank statement indicating amount available to you. If guarantor is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, an I-134 Affidavit of Support (obtainable from U.S. consulate or this office) should be completed and sent with current bank statement and confirmation of employment. All documents must be dated within last six months.

Name of sponsor _____ Relationship to you _____

Address _____

3. \$ _____ *Penn State Scholarship* (e.g. Athletic Grant-in-Aid). Proof of additional funds will be needed if the scholarship covers less than the estimated total financial requirement.

4. \$ _____ *Stipend from Penn State graduate assistantship or fellowship.* (Department _____) Proof of additional funds will be needed if the stipend does not cover all estimated living expenses and insurance costs.

5. \$ _____ *Government or other sponsoring agency.* The DS-2019 will be issued only for the time period specified by your sponsor. Attach a signed copy of the award letter; it must state number of years and specific amounts to be given each year.

Name of agency _____

Address _____

ANTICIPATED SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF SUPPORT FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEARS OF STUDY. *No document will be issued without this information.*

Name of supporter(s): _____ Relationship to You: _____

Amount of Support Provided Each Year of Study: \$ _____ Number of Additional Years of Total Support: _____ years

I certify that all the information provided on this form is correct and complete. I will notify the Office of International Student Services of any change in financial circumstances, or accompanying dependents, or of plans not to attend Penn State. I will return the visa document (if issued) if I postpone my admission to a later semester, or do not attend Penn State.

I understand that I, and / or my sponsor, will be responsible for all expenses associated with my study at Penn State, including tuition, fees, surcharges, books and supplies, and living and personal expenses and mandatory medical insurance for myself and any dependents.

Date _____ Signature of Student _____ (Date and Signature Required)

Date _____ Signature of Sponsor in No. 2 above _____ (Date and Signature Required)

Address you want visa document mailed to until ___(mm) ___(dd) ___(yr) <i>Add a sheet of paper with mailing information for after the above date.</i>		Residence Address in Your Home Country: Information is required—No document can be issued without it.	
Name		Name	
Street Address		Street Address	
City, State, Country, Postal Code		City, State, Country, Postal Code	
Telephone	E-mail	Telephone	E-mail