

EXCHANGE VISITOR (J-1) ORIENTATION



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT & SCHOLAR SERVICES (ISSS)

Location

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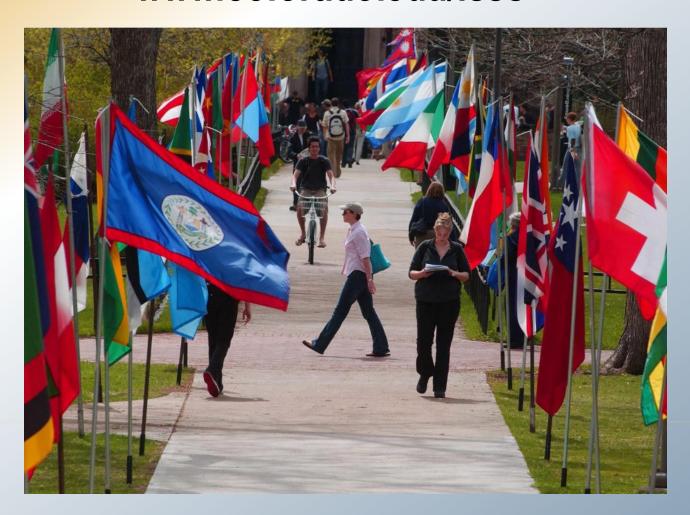
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J-1: BridgeUSA

A critical program within the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the U.S. Department of State, **BridgeUSA** represents some of the most significant exchange programs in the world.

The Exchange Visitor Program's (EVP) mission is:

- foster the exchange of ideas between Americans and foreign nationals;
- increase mutual understanding;
- 3) encourage international teaching and research collaborations; and
- 4) cultivate connections between U.S. and foreign individuals and institutions.
- https://j1visa.state.gov/participants/





U.S. Department of State Office of Designation

Academic and Government Programs Division ECA/EC/AG – SA-5, Floor C2 2200 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20037 FAX number: (202) 632-2701

jvisas@state.gov

DS-2019

Certificate of Eligibility For Exchange Visitor (J-1) Status

Item 3

Program Dates

Item 4

- Category
- 6-digit code in SEVIS known as the (CIP) code
- Subject/ Field Code Remarks



Indicates J Program Details

- Must be kept up-to-date throughout your program
- Extension request must be submitted **prior** to expiration date

Travel Signature

Valid for re-entry to the U.S.

- within 1 year of the signature date OR the end of the DS 2019 (whichever occurs first)
- ➤ DS-2019 Reprint Request Form

PASSPORT

Issued by your country of citizenship and establishes your legal

identity and citizenship.



Your passport must be valid at all times while you are in the U.S.

When entering the U.S., your passport must be valid for <u>6 months</u> beyond the period of your intended stay into the U.S.

Exception: Countries in the Six Month Club

Countries in the Six-Month Club must only have a passport valid for their intended stay when entering the U.S.

If your passport is set to expire while you are here, you can usually renew your passport at your country's embassy or consulate in the US.

VISA

Allows the visa holder to request formal admission to the U.S. to engage in the activity associated with the visa type



- May expire while in the U.S. as long as you are maintaining status and all other documents are valid and current.
- Cannot renew in the U.S.
- Must be valid to re-enter the U.S.
 <u>Exception</u>: Travel to Canada,
 Mexico, or the adjacent
 Islands and may qualify for automatic visa revalidation

Expiration Date

Visa Type

Single(S) or

Multiple (M)

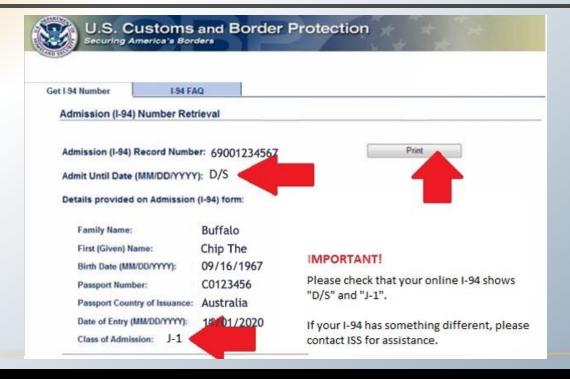
I-94: ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE RECORD

Establishes your status in the U.S. and records your arrival and departure.

Review your I-94 after every entry to the U.S. to ensure your information is recorded correctly.

Download I-94 from: https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov

Access I-94 printing and correction instructions: Printing a Copy of Your I-94 & Obtaining an I-94 Correction



J-1 SCHOLAR CATEGORIES AT CU BOULDER

- BridgeUSA has many different categories. CU Boulder hosts 4
 of those categories.
- The J-1 scholar categories at CU Boulder are: Research Scholar/Professor, Short-Term Scholar, Specialist, and Student Intern.
- The J-1 scholar categories have different program duration limitations, acceptable activities, and special requirements.
- It is very difficult to obtain a change of category once you have started your J-1 program. It is important to understand the purpose and limitations of your J-1 category.

Category	Maximum Program Duration	Acceptable activities	Special requirements	
Research Scholar/ Professor	5 years Teaching, lecturing, observing, consulting and conducting research 6 months Lecturing, observing, consulting, training, demonstrating special skills		Bachelor's degree required No tenure track positions	
Short-term Scholar			Bachelor's degree expected	
Specialist	1 year	Observing, consulting, demonstrating special knowledge or skills. Sharing expertise.	Cannot be filling a permanent or long-term position.	
Student Intern	1 year	Full-fill educational objectives for degree program in home country DS-7002 Internship Plan	Internship, NOT employment! Good academic standing. Must return home to finish degree.	

BARS TO THE RESEARCH SCHOLAR/PROFESSOR CATEGORIES

The 24-Month Bar Against Repeat Participation:

An exchange visitor who enters the U.S. and begins a Research Scholar or Professor program is ineligible for a new Research Scholar or Professor program for 24 months after completing their initial Research Scholar or Professor J-1 program.

- This bar applies to all J-1 exchange visitors and their J-2 dependents who enter the US with a Research Scholar or Professor category, regardless of the program duration
- A Research Scholar or Professor must wait a period of 24 months before returning to the U.S. on another J-1 Research Scholar or Professor program. The 24-month clock begins after the initial J-1 program end date

The 12-Month Bar:

An individual must wait a period of **12 months** in order to begin a J-1 Research Scholar or Professor program if they have been in the U.S. in any J visa status (including a J-2 dependent). This includes any other J category besides Research Scholar/Professor.

Exceptions:

- a period of less than six months as a J-1 or J-2
- any time spent as a J-1 Short-term Scholar
- J-1 Transfers

Additional information about the 12 and 24-Month Bars against repeat participation

212(e) TWO-YEAR HOME-COUNTRY PHYSICAL PRESENCE REQUIREMENT

What is the Two-Year Home-Country Physical Presence Requirement?

The two-year home-country physical presence requirement, or 212(e), means that those who come to the U.S. in J-1 status cannot become U.S. permanent residents, change status in the U.S., or obtain work or family-based visa status until they return to their country of last permanent residence for at <u>least two years cumulatively</u>. However, those subject to 212(e) may still be eligible to return to the U.S. as a J-1 Exchange Visitor without meeting the two-year home-country physical requirement.

Who is subject?

J-1 (and J-2 dependents) may be subject to 212(e) if:

- The J-1 receives funding from the U.S. government, home government, or an international organization
- The field of the J-1 Exchange Visitor program is on the <u>Exchange Visitor Skills</u> <u>List</u> for the J-1's country of citizenship/ last permanent residence; OR

Additional information about the J visa and 212(e)

212(e) TWO-YEAR HOME-COUNTRY PHYSICAL PRESENCE REQUIREMENT

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212(e) Notation

Control Number

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Visa Type /Class

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Issue Date

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UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO - BOULDER NO012345678 BEARER IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 212(E).

TWO-YEAR RULE DOES APPLY. P-1-00066

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Advisory Opinion - Mail all DS-2019s, a written request for an advisory opinion, and selfaddressed, stamped envelope to Department of State Waiver Review Division

Additional information about Advisory Opinions

212(e) **Endorsement**

Box 1:

Not subject

Box 2:

Subject

212(e) TWO-YEAR HOME-COUNTRY PHYSICAL PRESENCE REQUIREMENT

Change of Visa Status

If you are subject to 212(e) you CANNOT:

- Request a change of nonimmigrant status within the U.S. (except to A, G, U);
- Obtain an H, L or K visa; or
- Adjust to Lawful Permanent Resident unless you have fulfilled the two-year requirement or had it waived

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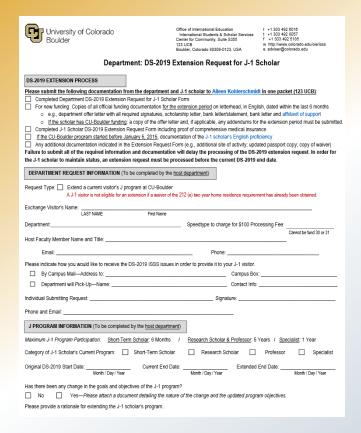
Waiver of Home Residency Requirement

Individual petition, not filed by ISSS

- Once a waiver is approved, J-1 cannot extend or transfer current J program
- Additional information about the Waiver Process

EXTENDING YOUR J-1 PROGRAM

First, talk with your sponsoring department to see if they are willing extend their sponsorship. If they agree...



- Have your department complete their paperwork:
 - Export Controls Review
 - Department: DS-2019 Extension Request Form
 - Include an addendum to your offer letter
- Complete your J-1 Exchange Visitor paperwork:
 - → J-1Scholar: DS-2019 Extension Request Form
 - Include updated insurance information, updated funding, and a copy of your J-1/J-2 passport biodata pages
 - Financial Support Documentation for the extension period:
 - ex: CU offer letter with extended dates; bank statement; official sponsorship letter, etc.
 - \$1845/month for J-1; \$923/month for J-2 spouse; \$881/month per J-2 child

Your Department must submit the Extension Request Forms and Financial Support Documentation to ISSS 2 to 4 weeks **prior to the DS-2019 expiration date**. ISSS should not extend your program after your DS-2019 end date!

Your J-1 Program End Date at CU-Boulder



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Inform ISSS when you will:

- Complete your program on time;
- End your program early; or
- Transfer your program to another institution

You have **30 days** to depart the U.S. following the completion of your J-1 program.

You cannot work or be paid for work after your J-1 program completion date.

Must obtain CU Boulder Department Host/ Sponsor's signature

Date:

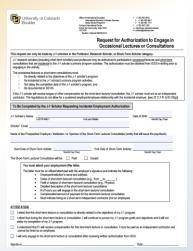
ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Information changes <u>must be reported within 10 days</u>

How? Send an email with updates to: ISSS@colorado.edu

Changes such as:

- Name, Telephone Number, and Email Address
- Residential Address- physical address where you reside (not campus or PO box address)
 - o If you are on CU payroll, also update address in MyCUinfo/ inform your depart. payroll liaison
- Program Funding
- Site of Activity- Physical location of your work (includes campus and off-campus research locations)
- Sponsoring Faculty Member- Individual who supervises your J-1 Program Objectives
 - Exchange Visitor Change in Supervisor Form



Incidental Employment Outside CU Boulder

Talk to ISSS before you do anything!

The Research Scholar, Short-Term Scholar, or Professor must act as an independent contractor and occasional lectures or short-term consultations must:

- Request for Authorization to Engage in Occasional Lectures or Consultation Form
 - Be directly related to the objectives of the BridgeUSA program;
 - Be incidental to the EV's primary program activities;
 - Not delay the completion date of the EV's program; AND
 - Be documented by ISSS in SEVIS.

TRAVEL OUTSIDE THE U.S.

Travel Signature

Request a travel signature from an ISSS advisor prior to traveling outside the U.S. during your J program Signature is valid for 1 year OR until the end of your program, whichever occurs first

- Travel Handout
- Visa Renewal Handout

Travel Documents

- Passport (valid 6 months beyond your date of re-entry to the U.S.)
- DS-2019 with valid travel signature from ISSS advisor
- *Valid J visa (exceptions: Canadians; *automatic visa revalidation)

ISSS recommendeds that if you will be reapplying for a visa while you are out of the U.S. that you carry your CU Boulder invitation/offer letter and J program summary, proof of financial support as documented on the DS-2019, and SEVIS I-901 fee receipt.

*Automatic Visa Revalidation: Allows re-entry from travel to Canada, Mexico, or one of the adjacent islands (except Cuba) for less that 30 days with an expired J visa UNLESS:

- You applied for a new visa and DoS has not yet issued it to you;
- You applied for a new visa and DoS denied the application;
- You have a terminated SEVIS record indicating that you are out of status;
- You have been out the United States for more than thirty days; or
- You are a national of Iran, Sudan, Syria, Sudan, or North Korea.

Export Control

If you are traveling to Cuba, Iran, Iraq, Liberia, Libya, North Korea, or Sudan you must contact Export Controls prior to departing the U.S.

TEMPORARY ABSENCE FROM THE U.S.

If during your J program you will be outside the U.S. for more than 30 days, please talk with your ISSS Advisor. You must submit the following to ISSS at least 5 business days before your scheduled departure:

Out of Country Request Form including Insurance Information

ISSS is not able to submit out-of-country dates to SEVIS retroactively! It is imperative that you report your out-of-country information prior to your departure from the U.S. and/or as soon as you realize your absence may be more than 30 days. If the collaboration and program objectives will not be pursued during your absence, then ISSS will likely need to end your J-1 nonimmigrant (visa) status.

The Exchange Visitor Program is intended to foster international exchange, understanding, and collaboration on the CU Boulder campus. Therefore, extended absences from the Boulder campus, including time outside of the U.S., are not allowed except in very limited circumstances.

Additional Temporary Absence/Out of Country Information

J-2 DEPENDENTS

Travel

- May travel with or without J-1 primary
- May remain in the U.S. without the J-1 as long as the J-1 maintains current status and will return
 after a temporary absence (less than 6 months) using the same SEVIS ID #
- When traveling, require DS-2019 with current travel signature, valid passport, valid visa, and proof
 of J-1's status

Visa Status

- J-1/J-2s must comply with J exchange visitor regulations
- J-2 dependent status ends for children on their 21st birthday or marriage (whichever occurs first) or spouses with divorce
- If the primary J-1 exchange visitor is subject to 212(e), the J-2 dependents are as well

Employment Eligibility

- May work in the U.S. if authorized by USCIS
 - J-2 Work Permission Handout

Eligibility for Educational Benefits in the U.S.

- May study in the U.S. on a J-2 visa without being required to apply for an F-1 student visa
- Boulder Valley School District (preschool-12)

Additional dependent resources can be found in the <u>International Scholar Handbook</u>, on the <u>Dependents Resources webpage</u>. Information about requesting a DS-2019 for J-2 dependents, please complete the <u>Dependent Request Form</u>.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENT



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INSURANCE COMPLIANCE FORM

REQUIRED FOR J-1 EXCHANGE VISITORS & J-2 DEPENDENTS

According to immigration regulations (22 CFR S62.14), J-1 exchange visitors and accompanying J-2 dependents are required to maintain comprehensive medical insurance with evacuation and repatriation coverage that meets U.S. government minimum requirements beginning on the start date of the J-1 program (indicated in item 3 of the DS-2019) continuing to the end of the J-1 program. There cannot be any breaks or lapses in insurance coverage even if one travels outside the U.S for an extended period of time during the J program.

ISSS must terminate the SEVIS record of an exchange visitor who: 1) does not provide ISSS with a valid Insurance Compliance Form by the start of the CU-Boulder J program; and 2) does not submit an updated Insurance Compliance Form when the previously reported insurance expires; and 3) does not submit an updated Insurance Compliance Form when s/he seeks to extend the J-1 program.

The willful failure to carry the required insurance for yourself and, if applicable, your dependents, or materia misrepresentation of insurance coverage will result in the termination of your J program and legal status in the U.S.

	LAST/FAMILY Name	First & Middle Name		Month/ Day/ Year	
Will the insurance information being submitted include coverage for J-2 dependents?					
	No				
	Yes—the following J-2 dependent(s):				
Insurance information is being submitted for:					
	Initial DS-2019 Issuance / J Program Trans	sfer / Immigration Reporting Session C	heck-In		
	Update or Extension of Current Insurance	Coverage			
	Insurance for a new J-2 Dependent who wi	ill enter the U.S. on the following Date:	Month/ Day/ Year		
	J-2 Dependent Insurance Coverage that is	Different from my Coverage	monar bay rear		
	Other:				

Comprehensive Medical Insurance Minimum Requirements

The J insurance coverage must provide the following minimum coverage

- Minimum medical benefit of \$100,000 per person per Deductible that does not exceed \$500 per accident or
- illness; Minimum repatriation of remains in the amount of \$25,000 Minimum medical evacuation expenses in the amount of
- \$50,000; and Co-insurance paid by J-1 not to exceed 25% of covered
- benefits per accident or illness. Insurance policies:
- May require a waiting period for pre-existing conditions that is reasonable as determined by current industry standards;
- · Must not unreasonably exclude coverage for the perils inherent to the activities of the exchange program in which

Any policy, plan, or contract secured to fill the J insurance equirements must at minimum be

- Underwritten by an insurance corporation having:
 - An A.M. Best rating of "A-" or above; or
 A McGraw Hill Financial/Standard & Poor Claims-paying
 - Ability rating of "A-" or above; or

 A Weiss Research, Inc. rating of "B+" or above; or
- A Fitch Ratings, Inc. rating of "A-" or above; or A Moody's Investor Services rating of "A3" or above; or
- Be backed by the full faith and credit of the exchange visitor's home country; or
- Part of a health benefits program offered on a group basis to
- employees or enrolled students by a designated sponsor; or Offered through or underwritten by a federally qualified Health Maintenance Organization or eligible Competitive Medial Plan as determined by the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services of the U.S. Department of Health and Human

If you are a CU benefits-eligible J-1 Scholar and plan to enroll in University health insurance: You must enroll in University insurance within 30 days of starting your employment with CU Boulder.

- . If you begin your position at CU Boulder on the first of the month, your CU health insurance will start the same day.
- . If you begin your position at CU Boulder after the first day of the month, your CU health insurance will not begin until the first day of the next month. You must purchase a temporary health insurance policy that meets the insurance requirements that begins on

You must carry health, repatriation, and evacuation insurance for yourself and your J-2 dependents for the full duration of your J program.

- Insurance must meet minimum requirements established in the J-1 program regulations
- Insurance should be in effect starting from your DS-2019 start date and coverage must be continuous with no gaps or breaks (even if you are outside the U.S.)

ISSS will not activate your J program in SEVIS until you submit the Insurance Compliance Form certifying that you have sufficient insurance for yourself (and dependents, if applicable). You likely completed this in your Check-in Documents.

If you are considered a U.S. resident for tax filing purposes, your insurance (and dependent's if applicable) may also need to meet the Affordable Care Act requirements.



Insurance Compliance Form

Willful Failure to maintain adequate insurance coverage is a violation of status!

INSURANCE REQUIREMENT - EXCHANGE VISITORS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR CU MEDICAL INSURANCE

- If you are NOT eligible to enroll in benefits through CU Boulder, you must independently purchase medical, evacuation, and repatriation insurance for you and any J-2 dependents that meet the minimum benefit levels stated on the US Department of State website.
- If you need assistance in finding an insurance provider that offers coverage, you can review our Insurance Resource Guide. Please know that this guide is only a reference. ISSS does not recommend any specific insurance provider. This guide is not an exhaustive list of all possible insurance providers. If you would like to learn more information about insurance in the US, you can review our insurance section in our Scholar Handbook for additional, useful information.

INSURANCE RESOURCES



Insurance Resource List

All J-1 Scholars (faculty and post-docs) must have health insurance overage for themselves and their J-2 dependents during the time they are in the United States, as outlined by federal regulations. Refer to dependents outlined to the States and the States, as outlined by federal regulations. Refer to the States, as outlined by the States and the States are stated in the States and the States are understanded to the States and the States are understanded by the States are understanding the States and the States are understanded by the States are understanding the States are understanded by the State

All International Students must have medical insurance while a student at CU-Boulder. If you did not bring a health insurance policy with you from your horse country and you do not subscribe to the medical insurance provided by the Warderburg Health Center, you can investigate the companies listed below. From these sites, you can print a brochure, send an e-mail, or erroll, if you choose to do so. For more specific information about the CU-Boulder health insurance requirement, refer to this website: http://www.cociprads.or/subminement/insurance/

J-I Students must meet the federal requirements for health insurance coverage for themselves and their J-2 dependents. Refer to https://www.color.ado.edu/oie/node/1058/attachmentheusest for more specific information about the federal health insurance Plan meets the J-1 health insurance requirement. The Student Gdd Health Insurance Plan meets the J-1 health insurance requirements. You must make sure any J-2 dependents are also covered by insurance that meets the J-1 health insurance requirements.

For scholars who will be employed by CU: If you choose not to enroll in a CU insurance plan, then you must actively wake the insurance option. If you do not wake the insurance, you will be automatically enrolled in the high deductable plan, an insurance plan that does not meet the Department of State requirements. For more information on waking CU health insurance, please visit the Payroll and Benefits Service's website at <a href="http://www.cu.edu/employee:services/house-repul/employee:services/house-repul/employee:services/house-repul/employee:services/house-repul/employee:services/house-repul/employee:services/house-repul/employee:services/house-repul/employee.

Please note: ISSS does not endone or recommend any one insurance program over another. Be sure to investigate thoroughly your oploins. You can also do your own internet search by looking for "insurance for foreign visitors to the U.S." "The companies that have a star in front of them also offer repatriation and medical evacuation insurance that you can purchase separately without a health insurance plan.

Associate Insurance Plans International, Inc.

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Compass Benefits
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Insurance for Students, Inc. (IFS)
International Medical Group (IMG)
International Student Insurance
On Call International
Seven Corners
'The Harbour Group
Trawick International, Inc.
VISIT
Visitor Guard

www.AIPInternational.com www.BETINS.com www.cmi-insurance.com

www.compassstudenthealthinsurance.com www.culturalinsurance.com

www.gatewayplans.com www.hthtravelinsurance.com/students_plans.cfm

www.insubuy.com/medical-evacuation-and-repatriation-pla www.insuranceforstudents.com

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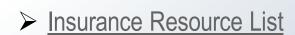
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Benefits-Eligible CU Employees:

Must enroll within 30 days of start date – ISSS cannot enroll you. Your check-in documents have not enrolled you!

You will be automatically enrolled in the CU High Deductible Plan which does **NOT** meet the J insurance requirements and you **must** choose a J-1 compliant plan.

The CU Health Plan Extended PPO and High Deductible plans do NOT meet the minimum insurance requirements in the J regulations

CU Health Plan Exclusive (HMO) or CU Health Plan Kaiser (EPO) are the only options that meet the J regulations for medical insurance Questions? Contact the Benefits Department at 303-860-4200 option 3

Benefits always take effect the 1st of the month:

- If you do not start employment on the 1st of the month, it will take effect the first of the next month
- You must purchase insurance coverage for the period before the CU insurance is in effect

*Important! CU Insurance does **NOT** cover evacuation and repatriation.

You MUST purchase a plan with this coverage to supplement the CU insurance

INSURANCE RESOURCES - CHANGE OF VISA STATUS TO EXCHANGE VISITOR (J-1)

- If you are currently a CU Boulder employee and recently changed your visa status to Exchange Visitor (J-1), this does NOT allow you to change your current CU benefit choices. You will not be able to change your CU health insurance plan until the Open Enrollment Period (usually starting at the end of April or beginning of May).
- If you are not currently enrolled in the CU Health Plan Exclusive (HMO) or the CU Health Plan Kaiser (EPO), you must purchase temporary insurance that meets the Exchange Visitor requirements for the period before open enrollment allows you to make changes to a qualifying plan effective July 1st.

COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements & Processes

* Please Note: ISSS provides the following information as a resource. Additional information may be found on the websites linked below and/or by contacting Buff Info to answer any questions.

New University Employees (ONLY J-1 Exchange Visitors on CU Payroll)

Human Resources has advised that employees have eight (8) weeks from their start date to complete the COVID-19 vaccine requirement or vaccine exemption. They may find the procedures in this link. Scholars with job codes 1401-1403 who arrived on (or after) September 15th, 2021 must complete the COVID-19 vaccine requirement or vaccine exemption reporting procedure.

J-1 Exchange Visitors NOT on CU Payroll

Unpaid research affiliates and all other J-1 Exchange Visitors not on CU payroll are NOT required to complete the vaccine requirement or exemption forms.

Questions... contact Buff Info:

Buff Info is a team of dedicated professionals, established as a centralized point of connection to answer questions and provide connections with campus resources. Buff Info liaisons can be reached at 303-492-4636, through <u>Live Chat</u>, or via email at <u>buffinfo@colorado.edu</u>, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Monday through Friday).

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International Student & Scholar Services				
Confirmation of J-1 Exchange Visitor Class Enrollment				
ISSS requires all J-1 Exchange Visitor Scholars to report their enrollment in classes. The primary purpose of any J-1 Exchange Visitor is to pursue their program objectives involving research, teaching, consulting, observing, or to fulfill the academic objective of a current degree program at risk home institution. According to U.S. Department of State guidelines, any class enrollment during an Exchange Visitor Program must be incidental to the objectives of the program in which the visitor is participation.				
Furthermore, The U.S. Department of State has determined that an Eschange Visitor cannot be a full-time student and a Researcher of Professor at the same films. CID eculder defines full-time graduate study as 5 credit hours. Therefore, JI Eschange Visitors are limited to enrolling in 3 credits per semester at CU Boulder, schange visitors who with 6 certol in classes at an institution of the flow CID Boulder schange visitors who with 6 certol flower and in the state of the films of F-full-Time* varies among institutions. ISSS will determine how many credits are sceptiable to pursue of other institutions.				
This form must be completed for J-1 Research Scholars, Professors, Short-Term Scholars, Specialists, and Student Interns prior to enrollment in any classes, either at CU Boulder or any other institution.				
Exchange Visitor Information				
Name:				
J-1 Category (refer to Section 4 on your DS-2019): Date of Birth:				
Research Scholar, Professor, Short-Term Scholar Month/Day/Year				
☐ Specialist				
Student Intern				
Semester of Intended Enrollment:				
Number of Enrollment Credits for the Noted Semester:				
Attestation				
confirm the following:				
Class enrollment is incidental (secondary) to my primary J-1 Exchange Visitor program objective.				
☐ The incidental study will not interfere or delay my J-1 program objectives.				
☐ I will continue to pursue my J-1 program objectives as my supervisor has noted below.				
I am fulfilling the requirements of my J-1 visa category.				
Research Scholar, Professor, Short-Term Scholar.				
 I am aware that I can enroll in only 3 graduate credits at CU Boulder; I have informed ISSS of my intention to enroll. 				
Signature: Date:				
International Student & Scholar Services Center for Community, S355 Boulder, Colorado 80030-0123 Phone 303.462.8007 Fax 303.462.5185 ISSS@polorado.edu Massine 10130000—Base 1 of 2				

ENROLLING IN CLASSES

The primary purpose of any J-1 Exchange Visitor program is to pursue the EV's program objective. Any class enrollment during an EV program must be incidental to the program objectives of in which the visitor is participating.

Confirmation of J-1 Exchange Visitor Class Enrollment Form

For employees with at least a 50% appointment, you may be eligible for the <u>Tuition Assistance Benefit</u>. Contact <u>tuitionbenefit@cu.edu</u> for more information on how to apply for this benefit.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CLASSES

Scholars can take classes for a discount through Continuing Education or the International English Center (IEC). University of Colorado faculty, staff, professional researchers must be employed at least half-time and are required to provide a printed copy of their "job list" from Peoplesoft or some equivalent form of documentation when requesting a discount. Verification from the hosting department may be required to receive tuition discounts. Please see the <u>Continuing Education website</u> for more information. **Dependents of scholars may also be eligible for a discount if the scholar is eligible.**

The International English Center currently offers a 25% tuition discount for J-1 scholars and their dependents. Please notify the IEC of your J-1 status prior to enrolling in classes.

IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Buff OneCard Office (Center for Community, N180)

Temporary Visitor Guest ID Card

For people who are not permanent faculty, staff or students on the Boulder campus, CU Boulder offers a visitor or guest card. If you will NOT be paid by CU Boulder OR do not yet qualify for a BuffOne Card, you can apply for a Guest ID Card.

- Sponsoring department must complete "Department & Guest Card Request Form"
- Bring completed form, passport or U.S. license, and money for the fee. Please check with the Buff One Card office for the
 updated fee amount.
- Based on department's request, Guest Cards can be set-up for meal plans, printing lab, electronic door access, and more

Buff OneCard

Full and part-time permanent CU Boulder employees are eligible for a Buff OneCard

- Passport/ U.S. license
- If you are paid by CU Boulder, have your payroll liaison confirm with the ID Card Office that they can see your record and issue a card; 1st card is free and replacement cards have a cost.
- Employees are required to carry their Buff OneCard while on-campus
- Employees who qualify for a Buff OneCard and <u>have at least a 50% appointment</u>, are eligible for a free EcoPass (RTD bus and light rail pass)
- The Buff OneCard and EcoPass must be surrendered when you end your CU Boulder employment

Living in Graduate & Family Housing? Scholars and their dependents can purchase an <u>affiliate Buff</u>
OneCard with photo ID and have the option of paying for an RTD CollegePass which can be used to ride all local buses. Please reach out to the Buff One Card office for more information.



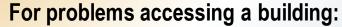


ACCESS TO CAMPUS

Information on Building Access

Many buildings on campus are locked and require a Buff OneCard or Temporary Visitor Guest ID Card for access to the building. To request access to a specific building, please work with your Department Contact and Buff OneCard Office to ensure your card has been granted access to that building.

Depending on the type of card reader, make sure you are either swiping (with the strip on the back of your card facing to the right) or tapping the card on the proximity reader (with your photo facing toward you).



Normal Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. contact Access Services

Phone: 303-498-6609

After Hours: contact the Operations Control Center (OCC)

Phone: 303-492-5522 or email occ@Colorado.edu

Weekly Activation of ID Card:

Once a week, you will want to tap your CU Boulder ID card on one of the various hotspots around campus. You can confirm that you have successfully completed this after the hotspot's light turns from **blue** to **green**.







ACCESSING THE UNIVERSITY COMPUTER, WI-FI, DIGITAL SYSTEMS:

- Your department must request an IdentiKey and password for you. You must Activate your IdentiKey online.
- More information can be found on the Office of Information Technology (OIT) website at: https://oit.colorado.edu/services/identity-access-management/identikey

REQUIRED TRAININGS:

Check with your department about any required trainings you may need to take. Many of these trainings can be accessed from the employee portal at https://mycuinfo.colorado.edu by logging in with your IdentiKey and password.

 Ex: New Employee Orientation, Laboratory Safety, Hazardous Materials, Discrimination & Sexual Misconduct, Information Security & Privacy Awareness, IT Confidentiality Agreement, Fiscal code of Ethics, or any others required by your department

UPDATING YOUR EMAIL

After you receive your @colorado.edu email address, you will want to update your My CU Information to include this as your **Preferred email**. This way, ISSS can send you important information through your CU Boulder email.

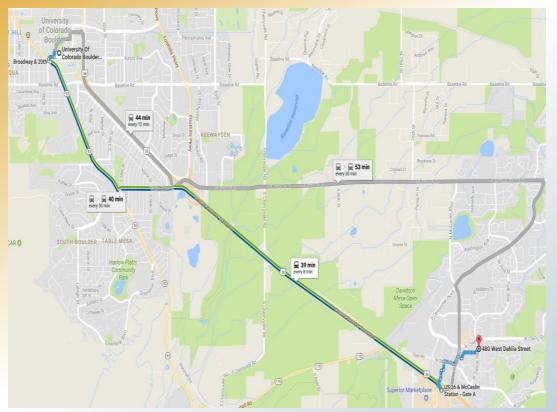
- Login to your my.cu.edu
- 2. Click on CU Resources HOME at the top and select My Info and Pay
- 3. Select the tile that says Contact Details. After verifying with your phone, you can now update your email.





APPLYING FOR A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (SSN)

Wait at least 48 hours after receiving your "SEVIS Record has been validated" email before applying for a SSN!



*Update: In-office appointments are available only 2 weeks after entering the country and only if Scholars are not exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms. Scholars should contact the Louisville office for appointment information.

Bring the following to the <u>Social Security</u> Administration Office:

- DS-2019
- Valid passport
- I-94
- Additional photo ID (e.g., Buff OneCard or Visitor ID card)
- You will only need a SSN Support letter from ISSS if you are an F-1 student, J-1 student, or J-1 Student Intern

Address: 480 West Dahlia Street, Louisville, CO 80027

Phone: 1 (877) 405-5872

If You are Paid by CU Boulder:

You can work while your SSN application is pending.

Please be careful with your SSN. Identity theft is a serious issue. You do NOT need to send ISSS your SSN.



EMPLOYEES ON CU BOULDER PAYROLL

1. Complete I-9 within 3 days of starting employment at CU Boulder

- Talk with your department payroll liaison (HR manager) and/or i-9forms@colorado.edu
- You may need copies of your your DS-2019, passport, and I-94. You can refer to the list of <u>acceptable</u> documents that you can bring to complete the I-9 form.

2. Meet with the International Tax Specialist

- Make appointment online Bring your DS-2019, passport, and I-94
- If you are receiving a <u>stipend or student scholarship</u>, you will only need to make an appointment if
 you are receiving your payment through the University of Colorado payroll. If your payment will
 be issued as a credit to your student account, or through accounts payable, you are not required
 to meet with the international tax office.

3. Benefits-Eligible Employees Enroll in CU Benefits

New employees must sign-up for benefits within 30 days of their starting date.

- Review the benefits webpage
- Compare benefit options
- How to Enroll
- New Employee Benefits Orientations
 - Have questions? Benefits Department: 303-860-4200 option 3 / benefits@cu.edu



ISSS does not offer tax advice. You must consult a tax professional.

- ISSS Tax Obligations (webpage)
- Local Tax Preparation Professionals (handout)

Additional Resources

- Internal Revenue Service website for Foreign Students and Scholars
- Colorado Department of Revenue

TAX SOFTWARE

- The International Tax Office offers tax prep software to F and J visa students and employees who are enrolled, employed, or active at CU (regardless of whether they receive income from CU) and are considered nonresident alien taxpayers for U.S. tax purposes during the tax year.
- Resident filers do not have access to the same software, but can access the International Tax Guide for Resident Aliens
- Please contact the <u>International Tax Office</u> to request a license after <u>January 1st</u>
- Tax documentation generally must be postmarked <u>by April 15!</u>

TRANSPORTATION IN BOULDER



Public Transportation

Operates buses and light rail in the Boulder-Denver metro area.

RTD Fares: http://www.rtd-denver.com/Fares.shtml

RTD Trip planner, schedule finder, and alerts: http://www.rtd-denver.com/

EcoPass: http://www.colorado.edu/pts/getting-around/bus/facultystaff-eco-pass



Biking



With over 300 miles of bike paths, biking is a great way to get around Boulder. Bike Path Trip Planner

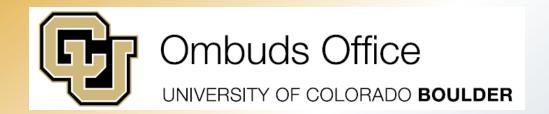
Buff Bikes / CU-B Semester Bike Rental Program / B-Cycle Bike Share

Driving



<u>Division of Motor Vehicles</u> (DMV): 2850 Iris Ave, Suite F Boulder CO 80301 Also issues Colorado Identification Card

- Information for individuals new to Colorado from another country
- Your SEVIS record must be in Active status and you must wait at least 10 days after entry into the U.S.



The Ombuds Office assists all CU Boulder students, staff, and faculty with any university-related dispute or concern.

They can help with:

- Communication
- Navigating the University
- Analyzing Options
- This does NOT affect your visa status!

To schedule a confidential appointment call:

Ombuds Office: 303-492-5077

Faculty Ombuds: 303-492-1574



Center for Community (C4C)
Room N440

http://www.colorado.edu/om buds

SUPPORT SERVICES

- Faculty & Staff Assistance Program (FSAP)
 - Confidential short-term counseling for faculty/staff
 - 303-492-3020; http://www.colorado.edu/hr/fsap
- Office of Victim Assistance (OVA)
 - Confidential information, advocacy, short-term counseling for students/faculty/staff
 - 303-492-8855; http://www.colorado.edu/ova
- Office of Institutional Equity & Compliance (OIEC)
 - Addresses concerns about protected class discrimination and harassment, and sexual misconduct
 - 303-492-2127; http://www.colorado.edu/oiec
 - ISSS is a mandatory reporter
- Police Contact Numbers:
 - U.S. National Emergency Number: 911
 - CU Police Department (On-Campus): 303-492-6666
 - City of Boulder Police (Off-Campus): 303-441-3333
- Department of State Exchange Visitor Program (EVP) Emergency Hotline
 - To help safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of all exchange visitors, there is an emergency helpline number 1-866-283-9090

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act You have the right to:

- be treated fairly and not discriminated against
- work in a healthy and safe environment
- not held in a job against your will
- keep your passport and other identity documents in your possession
- not to be retaliated against
- join or request help from unions, immigrant and labor rights groups and other groups
- seek justice in U.S. courts of law
- be protected under state law

Rights and Protections for Temporary Workers

If government agents question you, it is important to understand your rights. You should be careful about what you say when approached by federal, state or local law enforcement officials. If you give answers, they can be used against you in a criminal, immigration, or civil case.

Review <u>"Know Your Rights"</u> Handout

AILA Immigration Lawyer Search: http://www.ailalawyer.com/

Finding an Immigration Attorney





If You're Stopped By Police

- the officer. (Some states may require you to identify yourself to the make it you want to identify yourself to the
- Stay cann. Don't run. Don't argue, resist, or obstruct the ponce. Keep your hands where police can see them.
- Askilf you're free to leave. If yes, calmly and silently walk awa
 You do not have to consent to a search of yourself or your belo

If You're Stopped In Your Car

- Stop the car in a safe place as quickly as possible. Turn off the car, surn on the internal light, open the window partway, and place your hands on the wheel.
- Upon request, show police your driver's license, registration, and proof of insurance
- serious. But if politie betwee year car canatassa evidence of a crime, they can search it without your consent.

 Both drivers and passengers have the right to remain silent. If you're a consenture, you can also so it if you're to be seen if you can describe a so it is so when the property of the consentration.
- If You're Asked About Your Immigration Status

 You have the right to remain silent. You do not have to unswer questions about where you were born, whether you're a U.S. citizen.
- at Donders and apports, and for individuals on certain noninning grant vinas, including fourities and business travelers.

 If you're not a U.S. citizen and have valid immigration papers, you should about them if an immigration accurate requests it.

If The Police Or Immigration Agents Come To Your Home

- Tool door thave to let them in inness they have a warrant agned by a indige.
 Ask them to show you the warrant. Officers can only search the areas and for the items listed on the warrant. An arrest warrant allows police to enter the home of the person listed on the warrant if they believe the person is inside. A warrant of removal/deportation.
- Even if officers have a warrant, you may remain allent. If you've to speak, step outside and close the door.

- If You're Arrested by Police
- Say you wish to remain sdent and ask for a lawyer. If you can't
- Don't say anything, sign anything, or make any decision havener.
- You have the right to make listen if you call a lawyer.
- An immigration officer may visit you in juil. Do not answer questions or sign anything before talking to a lawyer.
 Bead all papers fully. If you don't understand or cannot resign.

If You're Taken Into Immigration (Or "

- You have the right to a lawyer, but the government will not posse. If you don't have a lawyer, ask for a list of free or low-co.
- services.
 For have the right to contact your consulate or ha
- Tell the immigration officer you wish to remain silent. Do not discuss your immigration status with anyone but your lawyer.
 Do not sign anything, such as a voluntary departure or stipulate the properties of the properties.
- up your opportunity to try to stay in the U.S.

 Know your immigration number ("A" number) and give it to family. It will lish them locate you.

If You Feel Your Rights Have Been Violated • Write down everything you remember, including officers' be and patrol car numbers, which agency the efficers were from

- any other obtain, Let confact innormation for withouse, it you is injured, seek included aftertakin immediately and take photograph of your injuries.

 File a written complaint with the agency's internal affairs division
- Fife a written complaint with the agency's internal affairs division or civilian complaint board. In most cases, you can file a complaint amony mouthy if you wish.

This information is not intended as legal solving. Some state laws may vary: Separate rules at the

For more information, call your local

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SCAMS

Be aware of telephone scammers posing as government/immigration officials requesting payment or information (e.g., credit card number, SSN, passport #).

In most instances, scammers will:

- Claim they are from a U.S. agency (e.g., FBI, IRS, USCIS, DHS, ICE) or law enforcement;
- Provide your confidential information (e.g., SSN) to try to convince you they are legitimate;
- Identify false problems with your immigration record, work authorization, taxes etc.;
- Threaten deportation or arrest; and
- Ask for an immediate payment to correct the issue.

Since you have refuse to reply my text, have contact the local Authority and any op the way with our money and they have to stop this. Triday 09-15 This is strictly online yet 13-48 Since you have refuse to reply my text, have contact the local Authority and and provide them with your name and other details that you are trying to go away with our money and they have told me to be patient after this message if you insist in not get it done you will be contacted right away by the local Authority.

If a scammer calls, hang up! Do not provide personal information or payment.

- USCIS will not call you to ask for payment over the phone.
- Department of Homeland Security will not call you to discuss an immediate deportation.

Resources

- Protect Yourself from Scams
- Common Immigration Scams
- Avoid Scams
- Report Immigration Scams
- Beware of Immigration Scams (Pamphlet)













STAY CONNECTED WITH ISSS



Facebook



Snapchat



Instagram



International Buffs & Company



ISSS Programs Website



ISSS Newsletter

(first Tuesday of and (first Tuesday of every month)









ISSS PROGRAMS AND EVENTS



International Coffee Hour

This program normally meets periodically on Fridays during the academic semester from 4:00pm to 5:30pm in the University Memorial Center (UMC) on our campus. It's a time for all International students and scholars to socialize and meet new people. Light snacks, coffee, and tea are served.



Pizza & Perspectives

Each month, a panel of students and scholars from a specific region or country of the world present interesting facts and stories about their culture and country of origin. There is also time for a question and answer period. They explain how their home country is different from the United States. This program is held over the lunch hour and a pizza lunch is served.



International Festival

Each spring, CU-Boulder hosts a festival where student groups from all over the world give performances and serve food and drink native to their home country. This festival is a highlight of the academic year!

Visit our <u>ISSS Events Webpage</u> to see a list of our upcoming events!



Postdoctoral Affairs

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

Connecting you with services and resources to develop your career and professional skills.

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA) provides:

- Trainings and workshops for professional development including programming for international postdocs
- Communications promoting postdoc activities
- Support and resources for postdoc mentors
- Memberships in national organizations
- Support for Individual Development Plans (IDP)

opa@colorado.edu www.colorado.edu/postdoctoralaffairs



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Searchable Campus Map

Printable Campus Map

Virtual Campus Tour

Boulder Visitor's Bureau

Boulder Restaurants

Boulder County Hiking

CU Parking and Transportation





THANK YOU