

Exchange Visitor Funding Requirements

Federal regulations require Exchange Visitor Programs to verify that an exchange visitor applying for a J-1 visa has sufficient funding to cover expenses for the duration of the exchange visitor program (including dependent expenses if applicable).

	Funding per month of the J-1 Exchange Visitor Program	Funding per year of the J-1 Exchange Visitor Program
J-1 visitor	\$3,506	\$42,072
J-2 spouse*	\$1,425	\$17,100*
Each J-2 child*	\$1,009	\$12,108*

*The funding requirement for a spouse and child(ren) applying for a J-2 visa is in *addition to* the funding requirement for the primary exchange visitor.

Example: An exchange visitor with a program length of one year, and with 1 spouse and 1 child:

- J-1 requirement: \$42,072
- J-2 spouse requirement: \$17,100
- One J-2 child requirement: \$12,108
- **TOTAL:** \$71,280 for the one-year program

All exchange visitors must provide ISSS with documentation of the funding amounts noted above. Funding from multiple sources is acceptable.

Financial Documentation Guidelines

1. General Requirements
 - a. All documents must be in English, state the currency, and be dated within *6 months* of submission to ISSS.

2. Institutional Funding
 - a. All documents must be on *official letterhead* of the entity providing the funding. Examples of institutions that can provide funding include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Exchange visitor's home country government organizations
 - ii. U.S. government organizations
 - iii. Educational institutions or organizations
 - iv. Visitor's employer
 - v. CU Boulder (on CU payroll): a CU offer letter, signed by all parties, is required.

3. Non-CU Boulder Funding
 - a. Documents must include:
 - i. Dates or period the funding will cover
 - ii. Total amount of funding and currency provided for the entire length of the J-1 program
 - iii. A statement confirming the funding will support the exchange visitor's program
 - iv. Signature of an authorized signatory at the organization

4. Personal Funding (including third-party support such as from family or friends)
 - a. Documents must include the name of the account holder, currency, and show liquid funds (assets that can be readily converted to cash), such as:
 - i. Exchange visitor's bank account (checking, saving, or similar account).
 - ii. Exchange visitor's other financial accounts with liquid funds
 - b. For third party documents:
 - i. Third party's bank account (checking, savings, or similar account)
 - ii. Third party's other financial accounts with liquid funds
 - iii. Signed [Affidavit of Support](#).
 1. This document must be uploaded in the *Exchange Visitor Program Funding* e-form (included in the *DS-2019 Request*).