

Exchange Visitor Funding Requirements

Federal regulations require J-1 Exchange Visitor Programs to verify that a J-1 exchange visitor and any of their J-2 dependents have sufficient funding to cover expenses for the duration of the J-1 exchange visitor program (including J-2 dependent expenses if applicable). The University estimates the *minimum* amount of funding necessary to cover living expenses is:

	Funding per month of the J-1 Exchange Visitor Program	Funding per year of the J-1 Exchange Visitor Program
J-1 visitor	\$1845	\$22,140
J-2 spouse*	\$923	\$11,046*
Each J-2 child*	\$881	\$10,572*

*The funding requirement for a J-2 spouse and child(ren) is in *addition to* the funding requirement for a J-1 exchange visitor.

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

- J-1 requirement: \$22,140
- J-2 spouse requirement: \$11,046
- One J-2 child requirement: \$10,572
- **TOTAL:** \$43,758 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. Below are the guidelines for the documentation:

1. Documentation must be in *English* and dated within *6 months* of the ISSS review.
2. All documents must be in *English*, on *official letterhead* of the institution that provides the letter. Institutions that can provide funding include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Exchange Visitor's home country government organizations
 - b. U.S. government organizations
 - c. Educational institutions or organizations who have offered support to the visitor during their time in the US.
 - d. The visitor's employer
 - e. CU Boulder (on CU payroll). A CU offer letter, signed by all parties, is required.
3. Documents that support outside (non-CU) funding must be in *English* and provide the following:
 - a. Specific dates the funding is available.
 - b. The amount of funding to be provided for the entire visit at CU Boulder.
 - c. Clearly state that the funding is to be used to support the exchange visitor's program.
 - d. Signature from an authorized signatory at the organization.

4. Personal funding is accepted. All documents must be in *English* and clearly *state the exchange visitor's name*. Documentation of personal funding can be provided in the following ways:
 - a. Exchange visitor's bank account (checking, savings).
 - b. Exchange visitor's other financial accounts that confirm liquid funds.
 - c. A third party can provide personal funding (family member, benefactor, etc.):
 - i. The third party must provide account statements (checking, savings, other)
 - ii. The third party must complete and sign the [Affidavit of Support](#).
 1. This document must be uploaded in the *Exchange Visitor Program Funding* e-form (included in the *DS-2019 Request*).