



## EXCHANGE VISITOR (SCHOLAR) Supplemental Financial Certification Form

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

If the international is NOT being funded by the University of Pittsburgh, he/she MUST complete the following Certificate of Financial Responsibility. Please review the following information before completing and signing the form on the following page. This form must be attached to the hard copy print out of the DRF and submitted together to OIS.

1. Review the cost estimates below.
2. Complete the certification indicating the amount of support that will be provided from each source.
3. All proof of financial support must be submitted in English.
4. All proof of financial support must be stated in U.S. dollars and clearly state the date that the documentation was written or printed.
5. All proof of financial support must be an original document.
6. All financial resources must be in liquid assets. Stocks, bonds, or other investments with cash value may be accepted if evidenced by a portfolio on the managing firm's letterhead. Please note that retirement accounts cannot be used as a source of financial support unless the sponsor can provide evidence that he/she is, in fact, retired and able to access those funds without penalty for early withdrawal. Real estate or other non-liquid asset such as automobiles, jewelry, or other personal property cannot be used as a source of financial support under any circumstances.
7. Please be aware that evidence of financial support must also be shown to the U.S. Embassy or Consulate when applying for a visa. Therefore, you will need to have two sets of financial support documents—one to submit to the University of Pittsburgh and one for the U.S. Embassy or Consulate.
8. More than one sponsor may be used. This form may be copied for use by more than one sponsor.

Cost Estimates<sup>1</sup>

	Living Expenses
Exchange Visitor	\$17,112 per year
Dependents	\$4,350 per year per dependent

Please note that these are estimates of the minimum living expenses, based upon US poverty guidelines from the US Department of Health & Human Services. You must be able to demonstrate that you have sufficient funds to support your period of stay in the US in order for the Office of International Services to issue you the SEVIS Form DS-2019. Please note that the cost estimates are subject to change without notice.

<sup>1</sup> The cost estimates may be prorated for stays of less than one year.



# Certification of Financial Responsibility \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
*Family Name* *Given Name* *Middle Name*

Sponsor's Address (*Number and Street*):

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Sponsor to Exchange Visitor: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that I will provide financial support for \_\_\_\_\_ to engage in a position at the University of Pittsburgh, in the Department of \_\_\_\_\_, and (if applicable) the following number of accompanying family members \_\_\_\_\_. I will provide funds from the following sources:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ provided each year from annual income/salary.  
*(NOTE: You must attach evidence documenting your annual income salary.)*

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ provided from bank account.  
*(NOTE: You must attach an official bank statement.)*

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ provided from other sources.  
*(NOTE: You must identify source(s) and attach documentation.)*

**TOTAL available from all sources: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Signature of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_