

## 2015-16 International Student Certification of Finances Form

Dear Applicant,

We are excited about your application to Saint Mary's College! As part of the admission process, international students must submit a **Certification of Finances form** (see attached) and supporting financial documents. This form is required for students who are not US citizens or permanent residents and who would need a student visa to study. Institutions are required to verify the financial resources of their international applicants before issuance of the Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20).

This form will help you demonstrate that you have sufficient financial support to cover the portion of the projected cost of your education that is not covered by scholarships and grants. In addition, please note:

- Your application will be automatically reviewed for merit (academic) scholarships. You will also be automatically considered for any other need-based scholarships that we may be able to offer you, depending on your family's financial situation. You will be informed of any financial aid you may receive with your admission decision.
- Saint Mary's does not offer any full tuition scholarships; every international student is expected to provide at least partial financial support for her education.

### Cost of Attendance at Saint Mary's College

*The 2015-16 undergraduate costs include:*

Tuition and Fees+	\$37,400
Room and Board+	11,320
Books and Supplies	1,000
Personal Expenses	950
<u>Health Insurance*</u>	<u>880</u>
<b>Total Cost of Attendance</b>	<b>\$51,550</b>

+Annual increases to the cost of attendance should be anticipated.

\*Mandatory requirement for all international students.

To proceed, please view the attached **Certificate of Finances form** and complete the following:

- Personal Details section (1st page: Items 1 – 7)
- Student's Sources of Funds section (2<sup>nd</sup> page: Items 8a – 9)
  - *Only complete the items that correspond to your source(s) of funding; you may not need to complete each item on this page.*
- Additional Details section (3<sup>rd</sup> page: Items 9 – 16)
- Student Signature and Date section (3<sup>rd</sup> page: Item 17)

Once you have completed the form and obtained all required supporting documentation and/or signatures, please send all materials to the Admission Office. The materials can be either e-mailed, posted, or faxed. If copies of the materials are e-mailed or faxed, please note that we may require the original documents at a later date.

For questions, please contact me via email at [rpiontek@saintmarys.edu](mailto:rpiontek@saintmarys.edu), or via phone at +1.574.284.4587. We wish you the best of luck with your application!

Rachel Piontek

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The purpose of the *Certification of Finances* is to help colleges and universities obtain complete and accurate information about the funds available to international applicants who want to study in the United States. Strict government regulations, rising education costs and economic conditions have made verifying the financial resources of international applicants essential. Institutions do not have the option of deciding whether to verify the financial resources of their international applicants; financial verification must be made prior to institutional issuance of a Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 or DS-2019).

This form is designed to standardize financial information provided by applicants to colleges, universities and U.S. consuls. By completing this form and returning it to the college or university requiring it, an applicant, if admitted, may obtain that college's authorization and issuance of a Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 or DS-2019). If parents and/or sponsors are unable to obtain a bank official's verification, it is recommended that institutions forward a copy of the International Student Financial Aid Application to the family for completion. The institution should attach a copy of this certification to the Certificate of Eligibility. U.S. consuls scrutinize the statements of financial resources given by nonimmigrant visa applicants. This certification will help such officials make their decisions and expedite visa issuance.

**Return directly to the college providing or requesting this statement.**

**The space below is for optional use by issuing institutions for listing student's expected annual budget.**

**1. Your Name**

Mr.  Ms.  Mrs.  Miss

Family (surname)

Given (first)

Middle

**4. Date of Birth**

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Month      Day      Year

**2. Permanent Address**




**3. Mailing Address (if different from above)**




**5. Place of Birth (country)**

**6. Country of Citizenship**

**7. Expected Visa Type**

- |                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> F-1 | <input type="checkbox"/> G-2                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> F-2 | <input type="checkbox"/> G-3                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> J-1 | <input type="checkbox"/> G-4                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> J-2 | <input type="checkbox"/> H                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> G-1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ |

**8. Enter the expected amount of annual support from the sources listed below. Enter amounts in U.S. dollars. Please PRINT all entries. Use an additional sheet of paper for explanations, if necessary.**

**Student's Sources of Funds**

**8a. Personal or Family Savings**

Name of Bank

A bank official's signature is required on the certification if the student is partially or totally supported by personal savings.

	Assured Support		Projected Support	
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
\$	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00

Signature of Bank Official

Title

Name of Bank

Address of Bank

Date

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Day	Month	Year

**Official Certification of Sources of Funds and Amounts**

This is to certify that I have read the information furnished by the applicant on this form, that it is a true and accurate statement, and that the funds are available and will be provided as indicated.

**8b. Parents (Money available from sources other than savings.)**

Father's Name

Mother's Name

Please describe the source:

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\$	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00
\$	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00

Date

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Day	Month	Year

Signature of Parent

Address

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**8c. Sponsors (Money available from sources other than parents.)**

Sponsor's Name

Sponsor's Name

Please describe the source:

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\$	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00
\$	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00

Date

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Day	Month	Year

Signature of Sponsor

Address

Relationship of Sponsor to Student

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**8d. Your Government**

Name of Agency

Enclose a signed copy of your letter of award with this form.

\$	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00	<input type="text"/> .00
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ <input type="text"/> .00	\$ <input type="text"/> .00	\$ <input type="text"/> .00	\$ <input type="text"/> .00

9. What is the present exchange rate of your country's currency to the U.S. dollar (for example, 3,100 pesos = \$1)?  
\_\_\_\_\_ = \$1
10. Does your government currently impose restrictions on exchange and release of funds for study in the U.S.?  
 Yes  No

If YES, describe restrictions.  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. Do you have a source for emergency funds once you arrive in the U.S.?  
 Yes  No

If YES, name source.  
\_\_\_\_\_

Amount available in U.S. dollars \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00

12. How will you pay for your transportation to the U.S.?  
\_\_\_\_\_

13. What is the total amount of money you expect to have when you arrive at this institution?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00

14. Do you plan to remain in the U.S. during the summer?  
 Yes  No

15. If remaining in the U.S., do you plan to attend summer school?  
 Yes  No

16. What are the sources and amounts of support available to you during the summer?

Sources	Amount
_____	U.S. \$ _____ .00
_____	U.S. \$ _____ .00
_____	U.S. \$ _____ .00
_____	U.S. \$ _____ .00

17 A CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY (Form I-20 or DS-2019) will not be authorized until this form is completed and returned to the institution to which you are applying. The institution will attach a copy of this form to your CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY. Both the form and certificate must be shown to the U.S. consul to obtain a visa.

Signature of Student \_\_\_\_\_  
I certify that the information on this form is true, correct and complete. I understand that any misrepresentation may be cause for refusing or revoking admission.  
Date        
Day Month Year

This is to certify that I have reviewed the declaration and attached documents, if appropriate, and approve issuance of a Certificate of Eligibility.

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**  
SIGNATURE OF COLLEGE OFFICIAL \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME OF INSTITUTION \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_