

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.

Some of the questions on the International Student Certification of Finances are self explanatory; the instructions that follow are only provided for questions that may need further explanation. When completing this form, it is important to:

- Answer all questions that apply to you and your family.
- Convert all currency figures to U.S. dollars (\$) before entering them on the form
- Return the form directly to the college that provided or requested it.

Section 1-7

This section pertains to the student who is filling out the Certification of Finances form

Section 8a-8d

- Be sure to fill this part out with the total amount you and your family have to offer each school year from your savings. Having a bank signature is required when submitting this form.
- Only fill this out if you have money in addition or separately from you or your family's savings reported from 8a.
- If you have a sponsor who will be paying for your education for a year or more, again separate funds from 8a and 8b, please report that in section 8c.
- If you are getting additional money from the government, fill out section 8d. With that, be sure that you fill out section 8d where it says **"total."** This total should include the amount of money you have to offer each year. It is combining all of section 8 and totaling up the grand amount you will have to offer.

1. Your Name

☐ Mr. ☐ Ms. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Miss

Family (surname)

Given (first)

Middle

4. Date of Birth

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

- | | |
|------------------------------|--|
| ☐ F-1 | ☐ G-2 |
| ☐ F-2 | ☐ G-3 |
| ☐ J-1 | ☐ G-4 |
| ☐ J-2 | ☐ H |
| ☐ G-1 | ☐ Other (specify) _____ |

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.

SIGNATURE OF COLLEGE OFFICIAL _____ TITLE _____

NAME OF INSTITUTION _____

ADDRESS _____ DATE _____