

#### Certificate of Finances 2023-24

# International Graduate and International Master's Program Students on F-1 AND J-1 Visas

Washington State University requires that all F-1 and J-1 visa applicants provide proof of finances (money) through any combination of personal or sponsored funding.

# First Academic Year (9 months)

- You need to show that you have US \$53,311 available to pay for your study costs (not including travel) for the nine (9) month academic year.
- If you stay in the U.S. over the summer, you must verify that you have an extra \$6,610 to cover cost-of-living expenses.

# How to Prove You Have the Money

- If it is your money or money from family or friends, provide a bank statement. It must have a banking official's signature and bank seal.
- If it's a scholarship from a government, school, or private organization, you need to send a certified letter to WSU Graduate School verifying the scholarship amount.

# If Someone in the U.S. is Helping You Pay

Make sure their contact information is available on this form.

#### For Future Years

 Please write a summary telling us how you'll pay for the rest of your studies. It usually takes two years to complete a master's degree and five for a doctorate.

#### **Understanding Your Costs**

- Working at WSU. You may earn a stipend as a research or teaching assistant. If you are not awarded an assistantship when admitted, finding an on-campus job may be difficult.
- Working off campus. You must live in the U.S. for at least 12 months before asking Immigration to work off campus. If you are an F-1 student, you can usually work only in rare cases.

# If You Are Married

- Come alone at first. It is a good idea to come alone to find a place to live. Your family can come later.
- Costs for family during the 9-month school year. You must prove you have:
  - \$8,143 for your spouse
  - \$4,679 for your first child
  - \$3,524 for each other child
- Costs for the family for an entire year. You must prove you have:
  - \$10,860 for your spouse
  - \$6,240 for your first child
  - \$4,704 for each other child

## **Work Rules for Your Spouse**

- If your spouse has J-2 status. They can apply to work only for their and the children's living costs.
- If your spouse has F-2 status. They are not allowed to work.

### Paying for School

- **Due date.** Pay tuition and fees in full by the third week of classes.
- Amount needed at arrival: \$54,000 for tuition, fees, housing, food, and books.
- **How to pay.** Use international money orders, traveler's checks, or bank money orders from a U.S. bank. Other ways might cost you extra.
- Your responsibility. You must make sure you have your money. If anyone helping you
  pay is late, you must cover the cost. Washington State University does not issue housing
  contracts, transcripts, diplomas, and an I-20 or DS-2019 for individuals under financial
  obligation.

By understanding these rules, you can plan your stay and budget in the U.S. Make sure to follow them to avoid any problems.

# Estimated Expenses (August 2023-24)\*

Tuition and Fees	\$28,421
Books and Supplies	\$1,434
Room and Board	\$17,916
Health Insurance**	\$2,296
Health Service Fee	\$488
Recreation Center Fee	\$336
Transit Fee	\$72
CUB Fee	\$240
Personal Expenses	\$2,108
9 Month Total	\$53,311
Summer Expenses (June to August)	\$6,610
12 Month Total	\$59,921
Dependents	
Spouse	\$8,143
One Child	\$4,679
Each Additional Child	\$3,524

<sup>\*</sup>These estimates do not include expenses such as travel or the support of dependents and are subject to change without notice. Expenses generally increase 5% each year.

<sup>\*\*</sup>All students are required to have health and accident insurance. Proof of equivalent insurance is necessary for this fee to be waived.

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Use black or blue ink to PRINT the name(s) of who will be paying for the above expenses. NOTE: the name(s) or agency listed below must match the name(s) on the certified bank or sponsor letter(s). Enter all amounts in U.S. dollars only. Use an additional sheet for explanations if necessary.

Personal finances U.S.\$		-
Parent/family information		
Parent/family finances U.S. \$		_
Name	Relationship	
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Address		
Number and street		
City		
State/Province		
Postal code		
Country		
Telephone number		
Government or sponsoring agency (inclu	de a signed, dated official letter of gu	uarantee of award)
Agency financial support U.S. \$		
Agency name		
Other		
Other financial support U.S. \$		_
Other source of financial support		
Signature		
Student name	Student WSU ID number	
Student signature (required)		
Date (required)		