

## Immigration Documentation for International Students

If you need to obtain an [F-1 or J-1 student visa](#), the University of Michigan is required by the U.S. government to obtain documentation proving that international applicants (non-U.S. Citizens) have adequate financial resources to provide for their expenses while in the United States. We request that you submit proof of support so that we can finalize your admission and issue a visa document.

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**Tuition and fees are subject to change at any time as approved by the Board of Regents. You should plan for an annual increase of 5% to 10% on all costs.** The following are **ESTIMATED EXPENSES** for a student from abroad. These figures are subject to change without notice and represent minimum estimated costs only.

**Estimated International Student Expenses (Fall 2023 - Winter 2024)**

Tuition & Fees	\$58,870/ academic year
Books & Supplies (Fall/Winter Only)	\$1,260/ academic year
Housing & Living Expenses	\$23,310 for twelve months
Mandatory Health Insurance	\$2,517 for twelve months
<b>Total Estimated Expenses*:</b>	<b>\$85,957</b>

\*Total estimate reflects expenses for a single student for one academic year.

#### Estimated Dependent Expenses:

	Estimated Dependent Expenses (12 Months)	Per Month Expenses
Spouse's living expenses, not including insurance	\$6,000	\$500
Each additional dependent's living expenses, not including insurance	\$3,000	\$250
Mandatory Health Insurance for student and one dependent	\$4,961	\$413
Mandatory Health Insurance for student and two or more dependents	\$7,406	\$617

## What forms of financial documentation are acceptable?

The following **may** be used as documentation of funds:

- **Personal and family funds:** An official dated bank statement/letter issued on official letterhead that includes the name of the financial institution, the account holder's name, type of account, and clearly indicates the currency and the account balance. Do not submit statements with the transaction history.
- A detailed letter from a **sponsor** stating the exact U.S. dollar amount being provided for tuition, living expenses, health insurance, and dependents (if applicable). This letter must be original and on official letterhead and include the dates of sponsorship, name of program, and degree level. The letter must be dated within one year of initial enrollment.
- **University of Michigan Award** — Letter or email that details the type of funding (GSI or GSRA, fellowship, etc.), the specific amount for tuition, stipend, and health insurance, and duration of award. If the award does not cover the total estimated expenses, you must provide additional funds, such as personal funds that cover the remaining balance.
- **Educational Loans** – A detailed letter on official letterhead from the financial institution that indicates your name, the approved amount of the loan, and the duration for which the loan is available.

**Each individual contributing financially to your education must complete the [Affidavit of Financial Support](#). In the case of jointly held accounts, each individual holder must complete and submit an Affidavit of Financial Support.**

**All financial documentation must be issued within 90 days of your request.**

The following types of documentation are **NOT** acceptable:

- Stocks, bonds, equities, investments, mutual funds, and retirement accounts (Indian Provident Funds: Fund manager must provide terms and conditions for fund disbursement)
- A fixed or term deposit account with a maturity or expiry date that is after the start of your first term
- Non-liquid assets of property or personal assets (automobiles, land, buildings, jewelry, etc.)
- Statements verifying employment and salary
- Insurance premiums and policies
- Income tax returns
- Attestations stating only that a sponsor can meet the expenses

All documents (acceptable or unacceptable) submitted for issuing the immigration document become the property of the University of Michigan and will not be returned to the student.

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## Other Required Documents

### Where are you located?

Document	You are currently outside the United States	You are currently in the United States and a University of Michigan Student	You are currently in the United States and transferring to the University of Michigan
Passport	Required	Required	Required
<a href="#">Affidavit(s) of Financial Support</a>	Required	Required	Required
Bank Statement(s), or Funding Letter, or both	Required	Required	Required
Current I-20 or DS-2019		Required	Required
Visa		Required	Required
Most Recent I-94		Required	Required
EAD Card (submit only if you are under an OPT I-20 or AT)		Required	Required
<a href="#">Transfer-In Form</a>			Required

### Are you bringing dependents?

Document	You are outside the United States and bringing dependents	You are in the United States and bringing dependents
Dependent's Passport	Required	Required
Dependent's Current I-20 or DS-19		Required
Dependent's Visa		Required
Dependent's I-94		Required

## Outside the United States

To request an I-20 or DS-2019 for an F-1 or J-1 visa, you must submit the following documents to [engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu](mailto:engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu):

- Completed [Affidavit\(s\) of Financial Support](#)
- Bank statement(s) or funding letter
- Copy of your passport, photo page only

## In the United States with F-1 or J-1 Status

### If You Are at U-M

To request an I-20 or DS-2019 for an F-1 or J-1 visa, you must submit the following documents to [engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu](mailto:engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu):

- Completed [Affidavit\(s\) of Financial Support](#)
- Bank statement(s) or funding letter
- Copy of your current I-20 or DS-2019
- Copy of your passport, photo page only
- Copy of your visa
- Copy of your current I-94
- Copy of your Employment Authorization Document (if applicable)

### If You Are Transferring Your SEVIS Record from Another U.S. Institution

You are considered a “SEVIS Transfer Student” if you hold F-1 or J-1 student status at another institution in the United States and plan to remain in that visa status. To transfer your SEVIS record to the University of Michigan and to request an I-20 or DS-2019 from U-M, you must submit the following documents to [engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu](mailto:engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu):

- Completed [Affidavit\(s\) of Financial Support](#)
- Bank statement(s) or funding letter
- Copy of your current I-20 or DS-2019
- Copy of your passport, photo page only
- Copy of your visa
- Copy of your current I-94
- Copy of your Employment Authorization Document (if applicable)
- Completed [transfer-in form](#)

Your International Student Advisor at your current or previous school must electronically release your SEVIS record to U-M after you finish classes and/or upon completion of OPT. The College of Engineering cannot process your new I-20 or DS-2019 until your SEVIS record is released to the University of Michigan. However, even so, you should prepare and submit all the documents before the deadline mentioned above. Otherwise, we won't have enough time to process your request.

The College of Engineering will prepare your I-20 or DS-2019 after you have emailed all required documents as an attachment to [engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu](mailto:engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu).

After all documents are approved, the College of Engineering will submit your I-20 or DS-2019 request to the International Center for approval. **Allow approximately four weeks** for the College of Engineering and the International Center to process your I-20 or DS-2019. Once it's been approved, you will receive an email to your UMich email address from our International Center inviting you to create your login to MPassport so that you can access your I-20

## Questions?

Visit the University of Michigan [International Center's student page](#) for more information or email [engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu](mailto:engin.pro.prgms@umich.edu).