



2025-2026 International Student Certification of Finances Guidelines

Please read prior to completing this form.

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 this form directly to the college that provided or requested it. Do not send it to the College Board.

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



Return directly to the college providing or requesting this statement.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CERTIFICATION OF FINANCES 202-2026 CONFIDENTIAL

1. YOUR NAME, 2. PERMANENT ADDRESS, 3. MAILING ADDRESS, 4. DATE OF BIRTH, 5. PLACE OF BIRTH, 6. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP, 7. EXPECTED VISA TYPE

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.

Table with columns: STUDENT'S SOURCES OF FUNDS, ASSURED SUPPORT, PROJECTED SUPPORT (2025-2026, 2026-2027, 2027-2028, 2028-2029). Rows include 8a. PERSONAL OR FAMILY SAVINGS, 8b. PARENTS, 8c. SPONSORS, 8d. YOUR GOVERNMENT.

10. What is the present exchange rate of your country's currency to the U.S. dollar... 11. Does your government currently impose restrictions... 12. Do you have a source for emergency funds... 13. How will you pay for your transportation to the U.S.? 14. What is the total amount of money you expect to have when you arrive... 15. Do you plan to remain in the U.S. during the summer? 16. If remaining in the U.S., do you plan to attend summer school? 17. What are the sources and amounts of support available to you during the summer?

18. 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. 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.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: SIGNATURE OF COLLEGE OFFICIAL, TITLE, NAME OF INSTITUTION, ADDRESS, DATE