

# International Graduate Student Financial Affidavit of Support

2012 - 2013



IIT College of Architecture  
ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Submission of this form is required of all full-time non-U.S. students before immigration documents can be issued. U.S. permanent residents are not required to complete or submit this form.

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## Overview

United States visa regulations require all F and J visa holders to provide certified evidence (Affidavit of Support) of adequate funds to meet tuition and living expenses for a proposed program of study. The Affidavit of Support for the first year must have the sponsor's guarantee of support. Section 3 must bear the seal and signature of a government or bank official. Alternately, a letter bearing the bank's seal and signature stating that funds can be transferred may be attached to the affidavit. An I-20/DS-2019 cannot be issued until an acceptable International Graduate Student Financial Affidavit of Support and certification has been received by IIT.

## Dependents

If you plan to bring dependents to the U.S., you must provide evidence of additional financial support for each dependent. The minimum amount of support per year will increase by \$4,500 for your spouse, and \$2,300 for each child. Copies of passports for each dependent must be attached to the Affidavit of Support.

## Program Duration

International students must register as full-time students (9 credit hours or the equivalent per semester). There are two semesters (fall and spring), and a summer session in each academic year. If an English course is required, it will be concurrent with other academic courses in a full-time program. The duration of a Master's program may be extended by one semester or a summer session beyond the normal time to degree completion.

The following estimates indicate the maximum time required to complete a specific degree program, providing there are no deficiencies and/or prerequisites to meet.

Ph.D.: 72 months

Complete Sections 1 & 3 if you will be self-supporting.  
Complete Sections 1, 2 & 3 if you will receive support from a sponsor.  
IIT bears no financial responsibility should the sponsor withdraw or fail to provide funding.

## Section 1: Certification by Student

I understand that as an International student, I am required to engage in full-time study at IIT and I am only permitted to work on campus in accordance with immigration regulations. IIT is not obligated to provide me with employment during the period of my enrollment. Other than pre-arranged teaching and research assistantships, IIT does not have sufficient employment opportunities for international students. I further understand that other opportunities to work in the U.S. are limited by law.

I certify that I have arranged for financial support equivalent to the number of semesters that my degree program requires. For the 2012-13 academic year, the financial responsibility will be a minimum of \$36,379 (subject to annual increases). In addition, I have arranged for all travel expense and for support of my dependents (if applicable) while they are in the United States.

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT

DATE

PRINT NAME (UNDERLINE LAST/FAMILY NAME)

IIT IDENTIFYING NUMBER, IF KNOWN

DEPARTMENT / MAJOR ON APPLICATION

TERM OF APPLICATION

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## Section 2: Certification by Sponsor

This is to certify that I (or my agency or firm) hereby assumes full financial responsibility for a minimum of \$36,379 (subject to annual increases) per year for the student during his/her period of intended academic study.

I further certify by the attached bank statement or certification that necessary arrangements can be made to have the above specified U.S. dollar amount transferred to the United States during the student's period of intended academic study.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF SPONSOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME OF SPONSOR OR AGENCY

\_\_\_\_\_  
RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS OF SPONSOR

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PHONE/FAX OF SPONSOR

## Section 3: Certification by Bank, Government, or U.S. Official

This is to certify that the named student (or sponsor) has, or is expected to have, the U.S. dollar amount specified on this affidavit available, free from government restrictions for a minimum of \$36,379 per year (subject to annual increases) exclusive of travel expenses, to support the student during his/her period of intended academic study.

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SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL

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DATE

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PRINT NAME OF OFFICIAL

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TITLE OF OFFICIAL

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AN INSTITUTIONAL SEAL IS REQUIRED

**Return this form in a sealed envelope to:**

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