

F-1 or J-1 International Graduate Student Certification of Finances

This original, confidential financial certification must be completed and submitted to the I-20/DS-2019 request in the iso.msstate.edu portal, along with supporting financial documents and a copy of the student's (and any dependents') passports before a Form I-20 or DS-2019 will be issued.

The form should be filled out in its entirety and **signed by hand**. Electronic signatures will not be accepted.

If you have any questions about completing this form, contact the International Services Office by phone (662-325-8929) or email (international@msstate.edu).

Part I: Personal Information

Demographic Information		
Surname/Primary Name		
Given Name		
Gender		
Date of birth		
City of birth		
Country of birth		
Country of citizenship		
Country of residence		

	MSU Information
9-Digit Student ID	
MSU NetID	

	Visa Information
Visa Status Requested (F-1 or J-1)	
If you are already in the	
US, what is your current visa status?	
Will you transfer your F- 1 or J-1 SEVIS record	
from another U.S. institution? (Yes or No)	
If yes, what is the name of the institution?	

Part II: Estimated Expenses

Below are the 2025-2026 estimated annual expenses for all international graduate students. Your proof of funding documents must show at least \$54,076. This amount is based on the Cost of Attendance set by MSU's Office of Student Financial Aid: https://www.sfa.msstate.edu/cost. The estimated housing cost for graduate students has been increased by \$1,000 to account for utilities and other fees. If you are bringing dependents, your minimum funding amount will be higher. Please see Part III for more information about dependents.

Since course registration is only required for fall and spring semesters, these numbers only include tuition for fall and spring semesters. If summer is your first semester or if you choose to take courses during the summer, your fees will be higher than what is listed. If you take online courses or courses with labs, you will be charged additional fees.

Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice. The tuition amounts are based on full-time enrollment during fall and spring semesters. You may be required to enroll in additional credit hours per semester depending on your program. Please check with your academic department on enrollment requirements. For the Tuition and Fees schedule, please visit https://www.controller.msstate.edu/accountservices.

Estimated Fees and Expenses for 2026		
Direct Costs: Will be charged to MSU student account		
Tuition and Fees	\$28,736	
Required Medical Insurance	\$2,454	
Chest X-Ray and Tuberculosis Test	\$185	
International Fees (Fall and Spring)	\$320	
Indirect Costs: Could be incurred by student but may not be charged to MSU student account		
Housing	\$9,456	
Food	\$5,058	
Personal and Transportation	\$7,867	
Total:	\$54,076	

^{**}Tuition and fees are pending board approval.**

Part III: Dependent Information

If your dependent(s) (spouse or children under 21 years of age) are accompanying you to the U.S. on F-2 or J-2 visas, you must demonstrate your financial ability to support them as well. The cost of supporting a dependent is \$3,850 per dependent, per year. If you are bringing dependent(s), please list their information below.

Surname/ Primary Name	Given Name	Date of Birth	Country of Birth	City of Birth	Country of Citizenship	Relationship (husband/wife/ son/daughter)

Please initial here if you do not plan to bring any dependents with you at this time.

^{***}MBA students are charged an additional program fee each semester. Check this website for more information: https://www.controller.msstate.edu/accountservices/tuition/other-enrollment-costs***

Part IV: Funding

Supporting financial documents must have been issued less than 6 months ago. All funding sources should be liquid (i.e., savings account, checking account, etc.). You should be able to access those funding sources quickly and easily. In cases where it is difficult to determine the value of the financial statement, we may ask for an English translation.

	Personal (Funds from self and private loans)
Name of Bank	
City & Country of Bank	
Account balance	
Currency of account	
Date bank statement was issued	

Family (Funds from immediate family members: parents or spouse)		
Name of account holder		
Relationship to student		
Name of bank		
City & country of bank		
Account balance		
Currency of account		
Date bank statement was issued		
Family member's signature*		

^{*}I have read the estimated budget for an international student. I agree to support the student named above for the duration of enrollment. I understand that tuition and fees are subject to change without notice.

Individual Sponsor (Funds from other individuals or extended family members)		
Name of sponsor		
Relationship to student		
Name of bank		
City & country of bank		
Account balance		
Currency of account		
Date bank statement was issued		
Individual sponsor's signature*		

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Government, Employer, or other Organization			
Must attach a signed copy of your official sponsorship letter and sponsor's account			
statement			
Name of organization			
Type of organization: U.S. Government,			
Company, Employer, International			
Organization, Home Government			
Name of bank			
City & country of bank			
Account balance			
Currency of account			
Date bank statement was issued			

Graduate Assistantship		
Must attach a signed copy of your offer letter		
Graduate assistants receive a 100% tuition waiver (currently valued at \$28,736) and a stipend. Some assistantships		
include an insurance reimbursement (currently valued at \$2,454).		
Assistantship amount per year		

	Total	
Must be equal to or greater than the esti	mated expenses for one year in your program of study and the expenses of	
supporting dependents, if applicable. See part I for estimated cost of attendance.		
Total amount of funding		

I have read the estimated budget for international students. I certify that the information submitted on this form is complete and accurate, and I understand that submission of inaccurate information in this declaration can be considered sufficient cause for terminating my application or enrollment at Mississippi State University. I recognize that the I-20/DS-2019 is not a scholarship offer letter; graduate assistantship appointments are at the discretion of the awarding department. I understand that if my financial situation changes, I will still be responsible for paying tuition and fees at the beginning of each semester. I understand that if I cannot meet my financial obligation, my enrollment at Mississippi State University may be terminated.

Date: