



MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY™ INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE

F-1 or J-1 International Undergraduate 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 undergraduate 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>. 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	\$29,736
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	\$8,456
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.

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	

Scholarships (Undergraduate students only) Must attach a signed copy of your award letter	
*If you are awarded an undergraduate housing scholarship, the amount will be listed on your I-20 as \$8,456. The actual amount you receive will depend on the cost of your standard, double-occupancy on-campus housing assignment. Housing costs can be viewed here: https://www.housing.msstate.edu/housing-options/residence-hall-costs	
Scholarship amount per year	

Total	
Must be equal to or greater than the estimated 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; scholarship documents must come from the Office of Admissions & Scholarships. 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.

Student's signature:

Date:

Undergraduate Tuition Addendum

International undergraduate students must enroll in at least 12 credit hours each fall and spring semester to meet full-time enrollment requirements.

Beginning in Fall 2025, students who enroll in more than 16 credit hours per semester will be assessed additional overload tuition and non-resident fees at the prevailing per-credit-hour cost.

Number of credit hours per semester	Cost per semester	Cost per year (Fall & Spring semesters)
12	\$14,368	\$28,736
13	\$14,368	\$28,736
14	\$14,368	\$28,736
15	\$14,368	\$28,736
16	\$14,368	\$28,736
17	\$15,566	\$31,132
18	\$16,763	\$33,526
19	\$17,961	\$35,922

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You can see how quickly tuition costs increase if you take more than 16 credit hours per semester. Even though these overload costs are **not** included in the Certification of Finances, you will be required to pay the costs if you take more than 16 credit hours per semester. Keep in mind that, from an immigration perspective, you do not need to take more than 16 credit hours per semester.

Courses may still carry additional fees not included in the Certification of Finances, such as lab fees, instruction fees, or distance fees.

Depending on your major, you may be charged additional program fees. Check this website for major-specific information: <https://www.controller.msstate.edu/accountservices/tuition/other-enrollment-costs>

By signing below, I acknowledge that this Certification of Finances does not include overload fees nor program fees, but if I choose to take more than 16 credit hours in a semester, I will be responsible for paying the full cost of attendance as charged to my myState/Banner account. Failure to pay my account will result in my class schedule being dropped, putting my immigration status at risk.

Signature:

Date: