



DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATION OF FINANCES (DCF) 2014-2015
 FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS REQUIRING AN F-1 OR J-1 VISA

General Information

This form must be completed by students who will attend The University of Akron on an F-1 or J-1 visa. In order to be eligible for a Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 or DS-2019) which is needed to apply for an F-1 or J-1 visa, an international student must submit to the Office of International Programs the Declaration and Certification of Finances (DCF) Form along with financial documentation proving financial responsibility, and a copy of the biographical passport page. These documents can be submitted at any time before or after admission, but the I-20/DS-2019 cannot be issued until the student has been admitted and all of the needed documents are received.

The table below illustrates the annual minimum funding requirements. The following amounts are estimates and subject to change.

Annual Expenses	Undergraduate	Graduate- Except CBA* Majors	Graduate- All CBA* Majors	Law
Tuition and Fees**(one academic year)	\$20,250	\$15,300	\$16,000	Full time: \$26,550 Part time: \$16,550
Living Expenses and Health Insurance (one calendar year)	\$12,900			\$16,550
TOTAL	\$33,150	\$28,200	\$28,900	Full time: \$43,100 Part time: \$33,100
Expenses per Dependent***	\$4,060 per dependent			

*College of Business Administration. **Additional fees may apply. ***Include this amount if you will be bringing dependents.

Instructions

Complete this fillable form, print it, sign it, and then submit it to the Office of International Programs with your financial document(s), and a copy of the biographical page of your passport. If you will be bringing dependents (spouse and/or children), you should also submit a copy of their passports .

The amount of funding currently at your disposal must be sufficient to cover the first year of expenses. The bank statement or letter from a bank official must be in English, on bank letterhead or official bank paper, show an **available balance** of at least the total annual expense for your program (refer to the chart above), and be issued not earlier than **six months** prior to the start date of the academic program. Statements not in English should be submitted along with an official, signed translation. All documentation must be legible. If the balance is not listed in US Dollars (USD), it should clearly indicate the currency used. If the bank account is not in the student's name, the sponsor should complete and sign "Part 2: Sponsor's Certification." **Scanned copies and faxes are accepted** but must be of good quality and easily readable.

Submit this form and all supporting documentation to:

Office of International Programs
 The University of Akron
 Polsky Building, Room 483
 Akron, OH 44325-3101, USA

immigration@uakron.edu OR

OR Fax: 330-972-8604

PART 1: Student Information (to be completed by the student)

Family (Last) Name: _____

First Name(s): _____

Middle Name(s): _____

Date of Birth: Month: _____ day: _____ year: _____ Gender: M F

Country of Birth: _____ City of Birth: _____

Country of Citizenship: _____

Country of Legal Permanent Residence: _____

Semester you begin the Program here: _____ Visa expected: F-1 J-1

Degree Level you are admitted for: _____ Major: _____

Email: _____

Complete Mailing Address (the I-20/DS-2019 will be mailed to this address): _____

Are you currently in the USA? Yes No If yes, what is your current visa status: _____

*If F-1: You will need to transfer your SEVIS record to The University of Akron before an I-20 can be issued. The necessary transfer information and forms are available at <http://www.uakron.edu/oip/immigration/forms.dot>.

*If your visa status is other than F-1 and you want to change your status to F-1: Please check one of the following

- Will you leave the USA to apply for changing your visa status to F-1?
- Will you apply for F-1 visa status within the USA?

Check each box that applies to you:

- I have my own funds to support my studies. At this time, I am submitting a copy of my own bank statement(s) in accordance with the requirements listed above. The amount of funding is \$ _____ USD that I **will be able to provide each year**.
- I am planning to bring dependent(s). *Complete Part 3 of this Form.*
- I have been offered a Graduate Assistantship. *Submit a copy of your offer letter and/or approved assistantship contract. If you do not yet have it, contact your academic department.*
- I will be supported by a sponsor(s). *Your sponsor(s) must complete Part 2 of this form and submit a copy of their financial documentation.*
- I have a scholarship (government, athletic, academic, etc.). *Include a copy of your scholarship letter.*

Student's Certification

I certify that the information provided on this form is correct and complete and that I shall notify the Office of International Programs of any changes in this information or in my financial circumstances.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

PART 2: Sponsor's Certification (to be completed by the sponsor)

I certify that I am the financial sponsor of _____ (please print student's name). I am providing financial support in the amount of **USD \$**_____ to cover the student's first year of study. I confirm that financial support will be continued through the student's duration of study. My relationship to the student is (example: parent, friend, employer, etc.) _____. I have attached a copy of my bank statement(s) in accordance with the requirements above.

(If you are a U.S. Citizen/Permanent Resident, you must also attach the completed Form I-134 "Affidavit of Support". The form can be downloaded from <http://www.uscis.gov>. If the student is currently outside of the USA and will apply for an F-1 or J-1 visa, you should also send the original I-134 and supporting documentation to the student to submit to the U.S. Embassy during their visa application process.)

Sponsor's Complete Address: _____

Sponsor's Full Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

PART 3: Confirmation of Dependents (to be completed by the student)

If you will be accompanied by your spouse and/or children, complete the chart below with the information exactly as it appears on each dependent's passport. This information will be used to issue the I-20/DS-2019. Also submit a copy of the biographical page of each dependent's passport. Your financial documentation should include an additional USD \$4,060 per dependent.

Family (Last) Name, First Name(s)	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	Country of Birth	Country of Citizenship	Gender	Relationship (Spouse or Child)