

2008–2009 Visa Request and Financial Certificate

Required for International Applicants

Requesting an I-20 (F-1) or DS-2019 (J-1)

Please type or print legibly in black ink.

This form must be completed and submitted along with supporting financial documents and your other application materials. Your application will not be considered complete until this Financial Certificate and the necessary financial documentation are received. This information is required to obtain an I-20 or DS-2019; you may still be considered for fellowships and assistantships. **PLEASE NOTE: You must also provide: a copy of the biographical page of passport; a copy of expiration date of passport; and a copy of all U.S. visa stamps for yourself and any dependents, if any.** Additional documents are required if you are currently in the U.S. (see Biographic/Visa Information section of the International Applicant Information page). Failure to provide clear, complete, and accurate information will cause delays in processing.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Legal name: Mr. Ms.
(as listed in passport) LAST (FAMILY NAME) FIRST MIDDLE
2. Permanent address: STREET

CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP/POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

Telephone: (INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL CALLING CODES) E-mail: _____

City and country of birth: _____ Country of citizenship: _____
Country of legal permanent residence: _____ Occupation in home country: _____
3. This application is for: Fall Spring Summer Year: _____
4. GW school to which you are applying: _____
5. GW degree and program to which you are applying: _____
6. Are you currently in the U.S.? Yes No *If yes, please provide the following information:*
 - a. What is your current immigration status? _____
 - b. Do you plan to remain in the U.S. and apply for a change of status to F-1 or J-1 from another immigration status? Yes No
 - c. Do you plan to travel outside the U.S. and re-enter in F-1 or J-1 immigration status? Yes No
 - d. If traveling, will you need to apply for an F-1 or J-1 visa? Yes No
7. Are you presently in F-1 or J-1 status? Yes No
8. Are you planning to bring any dependents with you? Yes No
If yes, attach a separate sheet of paper listing the information described on the International Applicant Information guidelines, under "Required Dependent Information" (name, gender, relationship, date of birth, city and country of birth, country of citizenship, and country of legal permanent residency).

INFORMATION ON EXPENSES

You are required to certify that you have sufficient funds available for your academic and living expenses. Obtain two originals of all materials documenting financial support (one for the university, the second for the consular official and the U.S. immigration inspector at the port of entry). Complete the chart on the back of this form with the following minimum amounts in mind. These amounts are correct for 2007–2008 costs only; tuition and other expenses can be expected to increase yearly. For updated information, see the Graduate Admissions website at www.gwu.edu/gradinfo.

Tuition and Fees	\$18,234 (minimum tuition and fees for two semesters; actual tuition and fees may vary)*
Living Expenses (food, housing, utilities)	\$16,790 (twelve months)
Books and Supplies	\$880 (nine-month academic year)
Health Insurance	\$1,400 (twelve months)
Total	\$37,304

Family Expenses If you are married and plan to bring your spouse and/or children, you must also certify at least an additional \$10,796 per year for your spouse and \$5,394 per year for each child.

* Tuition and fees are higher for some schools and programs. Check current tuition rates (provided online at www.gwu.edu/gradinfo/Grad_tuition.cfm) to confirm the actual amount that must be certified. Also, if you plan to attend school in the summer, you must certify additional funds for summer tuition and fees.

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Complete the chart below, and include with this Financial Certificate all original supporting financial documents written in English, as requested for each funding category you will use. The appropriate blocks on the chart below must be completed for the estimated length of your academic program (at least two years for a master’s program and four to five years for a doctoral program—consult your department or school for specific estimate).

Review the Source of Funds section on the International Applicant Information page for details on the verification required for each funding category.

AMOUNTS IN U.S. DOLLARS

(must be provided for estimated length of program)

SOURCE OF FUNDS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	REQUIRED FORM OF VERIFICATION
SELF-SUPPORT	\$					Original bank letter indicating current balance on account.
FAMILY/INDIVIDUAL SPONSOR	\$					Original bank letter indicating current balance on account.
GOVERNMENT/AGENCY SPONSOR	\$					Official letter of support
GW	\$					Award letter
OTHER (specify) _____	\$					Original bank letters, affidavits
TOTAL Totals must equal or exceed the University's estimate of expenses for each calendar year you plan to attend.	\$					

APPLICANT’S CERTIFICATION

I certify that I have read the information provided on this certification, that it is complete and accurate, and that the funds are available. I understand that submission of incomplete or inaccurate information or documents may be grounds for denying admission, withdrawing an offer of admission, or termination of enrollment if I have been admitted.

Applicant’s signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION BY FAMILY OR INDIVIDUAL SPONSOR

I guarantee that I will provide the above-named applicant the amount indicated on the above chart for purposes of full-time study at The George Washington University.

Sponsor’s signature: _____ Date: _____

Sponsor’s name (please print): _____ Relationship to applicant: _____

Address: _____
STREET

CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP/POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____
(INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL CALLING CODES)

If living in the U.S., please indicate: U.S. citizen legal permanent resident other: _____

Sponsors who are living in the U.S. and are *not* U.S. citizens must provide copies of their immigration papers (I-94 and visa stamp), as well as a copy of the biographical page of their passport and the passport expiration date.