



# J-1 EXCHANGE VISITOR APPLICATION PACKET



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#### **Checklist for J-1 Exchange Visitor Application**

The following documents will need to be reviewed and/or submitted:

- Request for a DS-2019 Form Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor Status (J-1)
- Dependent Information Form (if applicable)
- Exchange Visitor Information and ULM Faculty/Staff Request Form
- Approval for the Employment of an Exchange Visitor (J-1 Status) Form
- Certification of Medical Insurance Coverage
- Information Regarding Termination from Program Participation
- Passport for all visitors (dependents included)
- If currently in the United States,
  - o Copies of all immigration documents (DS-2019, I-20, I-797, etc)
  - o Copy of the current I-94
- ULM employment offer letter or letter of invitation on ULM departmental letterhead
- Resume or Curriculum Vitae
- Evidence of Financial Support
  - o Funding from ULM if application
  - o Personal financing if not ULM sponsored

| Category   | <b>Living Expenses (12 months)</b> |
|------------|------------------------------------|
| Researcher | \$9,000                            |
| Spouse     | \$5,000                            |
| Each Child | \$3,000                            |



# REQUEST FOR A DS-2019 FORM CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR EXCHANGE VISITOR STATUS (J-1)

|   | ☐ A foreign country  | $\Box A$ | another U.S. Scho | ol or emplo | yer            |                                |
|---|--|----------|-------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Name:   | (Last or Family Name)  |          | (First Name)      |             | _              | (Middle Nam                    |
| Gender: □   | Female □ Male  | 3.       | Date of Birth:    | /           |                |                                |
| City and cou  | ntry of birth:   |          |                   | (Month)     | (Day)          | (Year)                         |
| Country of c  | itizenship:  |          |                   |             |                |                                |
| Country of le   | egal permanent residence:  |          |                   |             |                |                                |
| Present or fo   | rmer position in country of permanent re   | esidence | ::                |             |                |                                |
|   |  |          |                   |             |                |                                |
| Proposed dat  | (Mo.) (Day)  |          |                   |             |                |                                |
| •   | tes of stay: From:/  |          |                   |             |                |                                |
| Host departn  |  |          |                   |             |                | nonths, not eligible for exten |
| Host departn Visitor categ  | nent and phone number:   | arch Sch | nolar □Short-te   | rm Scholar  | (less than 6 n |                                |
| Host departn Visitor categ Brief descrip                          | nent and phone number: ory:   Intern   Professor and Research  | arch Sch | nolar □Short-te   | rm Scholar  | (less than 6 n |                                |
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| Host departn Visitor categ Brief descrip  Source and a a. Unb. Ot | nent and phone number: ory:   Intern   Professor and Reservation of responsibilities: amount of funding: | arch Sch | nolar □Short-ter  | rm Scholar  | (less than 6 n |                                |



## **DEPENDENT INFORMATION**

#### **DEPENDENT** (#1)

| 1. | Name:                    |                                |         |               |         |         |
|----|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---------|---------------|---------|---------|
|    | (Family Name)            | (First Name)                   |         |               | (Middle | e Name) |
| 2. | Gender: □ Female □ Male  | 3. Date of Birth: _            |         |               |         |         |
| 3. | Place of Birth: City:    | Country:                       | (Month) | (D            | ay)     | (Year)  |
| 4. | Citizen of:              | Legal Permanent Resident of:   |         |               |         |         |
| 5. | Relationship to Visitor: |                                |         |               |         |         |
|    |                          | DEPENDENT (#2)                 |         |               |         |         |
| 1. | Name:                    |                                |         |               |         |         |
|    | (Family Name)            | (First Name)                   |         | (Middle Name) |         |         |
| 2. | Gender: □ Female □ Male  | 3. Date of Birth: _            |         |               |         |         |
| 3. | Place of Birth: City:    | Country:                       | (Month) | (D            | eay)    | (Year)  |
| 4. | Citizen of:              | _ Legal Permanent Resident of: |         |               |         |         |
| 5. | Relationship to Visitor: |                                |         |               |         |         |
|    |                          | DEPENDENT (#3)                 |         |               |         |         |
| 1. | Name:                    |                                |         |               |         |         |
|    | (Family Name)            | (First Name)                   |         |               | (Middle | e Name) |
| 2. | Gender: □ Female □ Male  | 3. Date of Birth: _            |         |               |         |         |
| 3. | Place of Birth: City:    | Country:                       | (Month) |               | ay)     | (Year)  |
| 4. | Citizen of:              | _ Legal Permanent Resident of: |         |               |         |         |
| 5. | Relationship to Visitor: |                                |         |               |         |         |

If you need extra space to provide additional information within this application, you may attach a separate sheet of paper.



## **Exchange Visitor Information and ULM Faculty/Staff Request Form**

| Exchange Visitor Mailing Address  |                         |  |  |
|---|-------------------------|--|--|
|   |                         |  |  |
| Permanent Address (where you live and receive mail):  Address:  | _                       |  |  |
| City: Country:  | -                       |  |  |
| Province/Territory: Postal Co   | ode:                    |  |  |
| U. S. Address:  |                         |  |  |
| Telephone (Home) (Work)   | (Cell)                  |  |  |
| Email Address:  |                         |  |  |
| If the individual is currently in the U.S., please complete the item below and which follows. If the individual is not in the U.S., please skip this section. | comply with the request |  |  |
| Current immigration status if applicable (e.g., J-1, F-1, H-1B):  |                         |  |  |
|   |                         |  |  |
| Information on UL Monroe faculty or staff requesting J-1 processing:  |                         |  |  |
| information on OL Monroe faculty of staff requesting 3-1 processing:  |                         |  |  |
| Name and Title:   | Date:                   |  |  |
| Department:   |                         |  |  |
| Phone: E-mail:  |                         |  |  |



Name of Prospective Exchange Visitor: \_

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES

# APPROVAL FOR THE EMPLOYMENT/VISIT OF AN EXCHANGE VISITOR (J-1 STATUS) To Be Completed by Department Representative Requesting Visitor

<u>Instructions</u>: Complete this form, obtain necessary signatures, and return to the office of International Student Services and Programs Office.

| Title      | of Position:  | Department:  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1.         | I agree to accept responsibility for this participant for the entire period of stay as requested on the form DS-2019. I hereby certify that there is sufficient funding to support this individual for the entire period stated on the J-1 visa application request form,                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2.         | Should problems occur with the exchange visitor regarding employment, studies, etc., I agree to follow the appropriate standard university procedures in remedying said problems. These procedures must be followed even when ULM does not provide financial support to the exchange visitor, |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.         | The prospective exchange visitor is proficient in English,  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.         | I agree to notify the International Office immediately of any changes within the department, which affects the status of an exchange visitor (i.e. loss of funding or significant change in duties),  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.         | I agree to notify the International Office immediately if the exchange visitor ceases to participate in the exchange visitor Program prior to the end of his/her program date,  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.         | I agree to notify International Office of the exchange visitor's stay.  | at least 45 days in advance of the program completion date to request an extension |  |  |  |  |
| Facu       | lty/Staff (Print):  | Signature:   |  |  |  |  |
| Appı       | roval is granted to employ or invite the  | prospective exchange visitor.  |  |  |  |  |
| ——<br>Depa | artment Head/Chair's Signature  | Date:  |  |  |  |  |
| <br>Dear   | n's Signature   | Date:  |  |  |  |  |
| Dear       | i s signature   | Date:  |  |  |  |  |
| Inter      | national Student Services Signature   | Date:  |  |  |  |  |
|            |   | Date:  |  |  |  |  |
| Vice       | President for Academic Affairs' Sign  | ature  |  |  |  |  |



#### MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE NOTIFICATION

TO: PROSPECTIVE EXCHANGE VISITORS

FROM: UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT MONROE

Sponsors must require that all exchange visitors (as well as their accompanying spouses and dependents) have insurance in effect that covers them for sickness or accidents during the time of their exchange visitor program. The recent rule increases the minimum coverage to meet today's medical insurance needs. **As of May 15, 2015**, minimum coverage must provide medical benefits of at least \$100,000 per accident or illness; repatriation of remains in the amount of \$25,000; expenses associated with medical evacuation to the exchange visitor's home country in the amount of \$50,000; and deductibles cannot exceed \$500 per accident or illness (Section 62.14(a)). Inadequate insurance coverage may be catastrophic for an individual exchange visitor. Thus, the Department increased the requirements. Program participants and their dependents are required to have medical insurance coverage with the following minimum benefits [22 CFR 62.14].

- Medical benefits of at least \$100,000 per accident or illness
- Repatriation of remains in the amount of \$25,000
- Expenses associated with the medical evacuation of the exchange visitor to his or her home country in the amount of \$50,000
- A deductible not to exceed \$500 per accident or illness.

Sponsors are to require that their participants (and any dependents entering the United States as holders of a J-2 visa) have insurance in effect during the period of time they are in the sponsor's program. An insurance policy secured to meet the benefits requirements must be underwritten by an insurance corporation with an A.M. Best rating of "A-" or above, an Insurance Solvency International, Ltd. (ISI) rating of "A-I" or above, a Standard and Poor's Claims Paying Ability rating of "A-" or above, or a Weiss Research, Inc. rating of B+ or above. Alternatively, the sponsor may ascertain that the participant's policy is backed by the full faith and credit of the government of the exchange visitor's home country. For other options, see [22 CFR 62.14].

You will find enclosed a Certification of Medical Insurance form. This form **MUST** be completed by your insurance agent, signed by the prospective exchange visitor, and submitted to the office of International Student Programs and Services, 700 University Avenue, Monroe, LA 71209.



## Certification of Medical Insurance Coverage J-1 Exchange Program

| Date:                           |                                       |                                      |   |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Name:                           | (Family)                              | (First)                              | (Middle)  |
| \$100,000.00 p<br>medical evacu | per accident or illness, repatriation |                                      | s have medical benefits of at least ,000.00, expenses associated with the ount of \$50,000.00, and a deductible |
| Name of Insu                    | rance Company                         |                                      |   |
| Signature of A                  | Agent Representing Insurance Co       | ompany                               |   |
| Date                            |                                       |                                      |   |
| any changes a                   |                                       | ntation of any changes. I will provi | coverage and will notify your office of de documentation of continuation of                                     |
| Signature of E                  | Exchange Visitor                      |                                      | Date  |



#### INFORMATION REGARDING TERMINATION FROM PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Please be advised that UL Monroe as your Exchange Visitor Program Sponsor is required by Federal Regulations to enforce certain rules which are designed to:

- 1. Protect you and your family members (example Health insurance requirements)
- 2. Ensure that you obtain sufficient information and assistance to facilitate the successful completion of your program; for example, information and assistance regarding documentation for family members, maintaining status, extending stay, transferring program, traveling abroad and reentering, securing employment and departing and returning home
- Maintain the integrity of the program and monitor your participation in the program to ensure that you are
  making reasonable progress, and keeping the ULM office of International Student Programs and Services
  apprised of your address and telephone number.

## FEDERAL REGULATIONS PROVIDE THAT A SPONSOR **SHALL** TERMINATE AN EXCHANGE VISITOR'S PARTICIPATION IN ITS PROGRAM WHEN THE EXCHANGE VISITOR:

- Fails to pursue the activities for which he or she was admitted to the United States;
- Is unable to continue unless otherwise exempted pursuant to these regulations;
- Violates the Exchange Visitor Program regulations and/or the sponsor's opinion, termination is warranted;
- Willfully fails to maintain the insurance coverage required; or
- Engages in unauthorized employment.

Our goal is to facilitate your successful completion of the Program, and our obligations under applicable regulations require us to ensure your compliance with its terms. Faculty sponsors and exchange visitors are encouraged to notify the ULM office of International Programs and Services regarding any situation or condition which could indicate the potential need for termination from program participation.

| Receipt of a copy of this document is acknowledged. |      |  |
|---|------|--|
| Signature of Exchange Visitor                       | Date |  |
| Signature of Faculty Sponsor                        | Date |  |

Please return this form to the office of International Student Programs and Services with the Certification of Medical Insurance prior to the issuance of Form DS-2019.