# CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION

#### Form I-20 or DS-2019

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS SENSITIVE INFORMATION. DO NOT SEND THIS APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AS AN ATTACHMENT VIA EMAIL.

This document and supporting materials can be submitted via one of two mechanisms:

- 1. Graduate and undergraduate students should use TUPortal to submit documents
- 2. Professional school (law, dentistry, etc.) students may submit the documents via TUportal, TUsafesend, or secure fax to 215-204-3200

Applicants should note that Temple University will issue the Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 or DS-2019) only after all materials are received by the University's International Student and Scholar Services. Issuance of the certificate can take several months. Please apply early.

Include a copy of your passport; the Form I-20 or DS-2019 must match your passport.

International Student Ir	ıformation			
Family name	First	t	Middle	
Date of birth	City of birth	Country of birth _		Gender: 🗆 M 🗆 F
Country of permanent reside	nce	Country of citize	enship	
FOREIGN ADDRESS				
A Certificate of Eligibility canr	ot be generated unless we h	ave your foreign address.		
	_	City	Province	e/State
		Email addres		
Temple ID # (9XXXXXXXX)		Home telephone ( ) _		
Is this the address to which ye	ou would prefer your I-20 or	DS-2019 be sent? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
If not, indicate your mailing add	dress:			
Are you married? $\square$ Yes $\square$ N	o If "Yes," will your spouse a	nd/or children join you?		
_		n below.) 🗆 Yes, they will join me a	ifter I get settled.	
☐ I am married, but my depe	·		J	
DEPENDENT INFORMATION				
	agusa ar child Attach additio	nal sheets if child(ren) will accompa	inv If more than one	danandant will accom
		ch dependent on a separate piece o	•	иерепиет міш ассотт-
Relationship: ☐ Husband ☐	Wife □ Child			
·		st	Middle	
		ountry of birth		
		Country of permanent resider		
Academic & Immigratio	n Information			
Semester applied for: ☐ Fall	☐ Spring ☐ Summer I ☐ Su	mmer II Year		
Level of study: ☐ Undergrade	uate 🗆 Graduate 🗆 Profession	onal Field of study (major)		
Are you currently in the U.S.?	☐ Yes ☐ No If "Yes," what	t visa classification do you hold?		
Please attach a copy of your in	nmigration documents: I-94	card, passport information page, I-2	0 or DS-2019 forms.	SEVIS ID #
If you are not in F-1 or J-1 sta	tus, do you plan to: travel o	utside the U.S. and apply for F-1/J-1	status at the U.S. Co	nsulate? □ Yes □ No
	or apply	for a change of status in the U.S.?	□ Yes □ No	
See temple.edu/isss/future-s	tudents/status.html if you pl	an to change your status in the U.S.		
IF YOU ARE IN THE U.S.				
Name of current Internationa	l Student Advisor:			
International Student Advisor			chool:	

#### **Receiving Your Certificate of Eligibility**

Your document will be sent via UPS Express Mail. When the document is sent, you will be notified via email.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FEE:** The International Student Fee of U.S. \$125.00, implemented in Fall 2011, is assessed each semester an international student registers at Temple University. The fee not only permits ISSS to provide comprehensive immigration-related services to our students, but also supports a broad range of extracurricular programming, including such activities as airport pick-up, a two-week series of orientation events and regularly scheduled events throughout each semester.

**DEPENDENTS' SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS:** In addition to the expenses listed in this application form, you must provide additional financial documentation if you plan to bring your spouse and/or child(ren). You must have an additional \$4,000 for your spouse and \$2,500 for each child, as well as health insurance coverage for them.

Individuals in F-2 non-immigrant status, i.e., an F-1 student's dependent, are NOT permitted to study full-time unless they apply for and receive a change of non-immigrant status. If you are a spouse in F-2 status and wish to pursue a full-time degree program, you will be required to apply for a change of status. Information on how to obtain a change of status can be found at temple.edu/isss/future-students/status.html.

**HEALTH INSURANCE**: Temple University requires all students in either F-1 or J-1 status to carry health insurance that meets the minimum standards determined by the U.S. Department of State:

- Medical benefits of at least \$50,000 per accident or illness
- Medical evacuation benefits of at least \$10,000
- Maximum deductible of \$500 per accident or illness
- Repatriation benefits of at least \$7,500
- Payment of at least 75 percent of covered expenses

**INITIAL EXPENSES:** Bring with you at least \$2,000 in the form of traveler's checks for initial expenses, even if you have a graduate/teaching/ research assistantship. You may pay tuition by a check made payable to Temple University, credit card or traveler's checks, unless tuition is being provided by Temple University or another organization. For any questions regarding tuition payment, please contact Student Financial Services Office at **sfs@temple.edu** or **(215) 204-2244**. Be aware that it takes a minimum of two weeks for an international check to be processed by U.S. banks.

**HOUSING INFORMATION:** You should apply for on-campus housing as soon as possible, as spaces fill up very quickly each semester. Completing an application for housing does not guarantee that you will be given on-campus housing. More information about Temple University housing can be found at **www.temple.edu/housing** or by phone at **(215) 204-7184**. If you have dependents who will join you, we strongly suggest that you arrive on campus alone so that you may find adequate housing, and have them join you after.

**FINANCIAL AID:** Temple University does not provide loans to students, and there is very little financial aid available to international students. You should not expect to find funds after arriving in the U.S. Students in F-1 status cannot apply for any type of off-campus work permission until they have been in valid non-immigrant status for one academic year.

**SPONSOR AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT:** Sponsors may be parents, family members or other persons who will provide financial support. It is not necessary that a financial sponsor reside in the U.S. If there is to be more than one sponsor, please make a copy of this document for each sponsor to complete. An individual financial sponsor may provide complete or partial support for you, but your total financial support must equal or exceed the total estimated costs.

### CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY: DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE I-20 AND DS-2019

I-20 is the certificate of eligibility for F-1 status that indicates the school declares you've been accepted for a full course of study and you appear to be a bona fide student. F-1 is designated for students in academic and language study programs.

DS-2019 serves a similar purpose for J-1 status applicants who receive funding from sources other than personal finances, like government funding, scholarships or assistantships. J-1 is designated for exchange students, teachers, scholars, researchers, etc., who come to the U.S. under an educational exchange program. J-1 students must be financed, at least partially, by the U.S. government or home government. The J-1 visa carries with it a two-year home residency requirement, as well as mandatory health insurance standards set forth by the Department of State for all dependents in J-2 status.

Please note that B-2 and F-2 visa holders cannot engage in full-time study, nor are they eligible for any type of employment authorization, whereas J-2 visa holders are eligible for both.

## **Sponsor Information** Name of sponsor \_ \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor's current address \_\_\_ \_\_\_\_, state that I am an adult of sound mind and disposition, and that I am competent to swear this affidavit on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_, who is seeking admission to study at Temple University and for whom I will assume financial responsibility. $\square$ I intend to sponsor the student's dependents. $\square$ I do not intend to sponsor the student's dependents. I have reviewed the estimated expenses available at temple.edu/isss/future-students/tuition.html and agree that I will provide full financial support so long as the student is enrolled at Temple University. Financial support will meet costs for tuition and mandatory student fees, mandatory medical health insurance, room and board, and other personal living expenses for the duration of study. I certify that if restrictions exist regarding transfer of funds between my country of residence and the United States, I have fully investigated them and am aware of the procedures I must follow to remit payment when it is due, and that I will guarantee payment when it is due regardless of existing funds' transfer restrictions. I certify that the information provided in this Affidavit of Support and Bank Verification of Deposit is true and correct, and that I will provide funds to and assume full financial responsibility for this student for the duration of study at Temple University. Further, I authorize Temple University to verify that the above information is correct. Sponsor signature \_\_\_\_ **Bank Verification of Deposit** This is to be HANDWRITTEN in ENGLISH by a bank official. Bank certification of sponsor accounts must be current and cannot exceed six months from the date of the bank officer's signature and stamp. This form must be submitted with three to four months of the most recent bank statements. \_\_\_\_\_, is a customer of (bank name) \_\_\_ This is to certify that the account holder, \_\_\_\_ His/Her account was opened (date) \_\_\_\_\_, and for the past year has shown an average balance equal to U.S. \$\_\_\_\_\_ The accounts are open and viable as of today's date. This certification is offered with no responsibility on the part of the financial institution. Printed name of bank official \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_Title \_\_\_ Bank seal or stamp Bank address \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_ Bank official signature This form cannot be accepted without the bank officer's signature and bank seal or stamp.

#### Please submit this form and supporting documentation through one of our secure systems:

- Your TUPortal account (if you need assistance in accessing TUPortal, please visit accounts.temple.edu/selfcare/login.jsp, or contact Computer Services Help Desk online at www.temple. edu/cs/helpdesk/contact/default.asp or by telephone at 215-204-8000);
- 2. Dedicated FAX number: 215-204-3200; or
- Online submission through https://tusafesend.temple.edu/ (requires logging in with your Temple University AccessNet ID and password, clicking on "Drop Off," and following the instructions provided).
- Please do not send sensitive information or documents through email as that is not considered a secure system.
- All inquiries regarding the status of an application for admission should be referred to the Office of International Admissions for undergraduate applicants and to the admitting academic department for graduate applicants.

#### **Transfer Recommendation Form**

(Only for F-1 or J-1 students already studying in the U.S.)

If you are studying in a U.S. educational institution, you must submit this transfer recommendation form to your current international student advisor. To transfer from one school to another, you must first notify the school you currently attend that you intend to transfer to Temple University. This form should only be completed once you have been accepted to Temple University.

Upon your request your current school will update your record in SEVIS as a "transfer out" and indicate that you intend to transfer to Temple University. Your international student advisor will also indicate the release date of your SEVIS record, which will be the current semester or session completion date, or the date of expected transfer if earlier than the established academic cycle.

Your current school will retain control of your record in SEVIS until you complete the current term or reach the release date. At your request the international office may cancel the transfer request at any time prior to the release date.

Once the release date is reached, Temple University will be granted full access to your record in SEVIS and will become responsible for it. Your current school will convey to Temple University authority and responsibility for your record and will no longer have full SEVIS access. As such, a transfer request may not be cancelled by the current school after the release date has been reached. After the release date, Temple University must complete the transfer of your record in SEVIS and may issue an I-20 or DS-2019.

Family name	First	Midd	le
Date of birth	Temple ID # (9XXXX	XXXX)	
Student signature			Date
Please sign the release of information or attended most recently.	section of this form and give it to you	r international student advisor	r at the school you attend currently
To Designated School Official			
The above-named student has submi	tted an admission application to Temp	le University.	
Current Immigration Status: $\Box$ F-1 $\Box$	J-1		
SEVIS ID #		SEVIS release date	
☐ The student is in good standing and ☐ The student is out of status and will Comments.	ll need to apply for a reinstatement.		
Comments			
Name and title of DSO			
Name of institution			Date
Telephone ( )	Fax ( )	Email	
Signature of DSO			Date

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