

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES

SPONSOR'S AFFIDAVIT AND PROOF OF FINANCIAL CAPABILITY

WHAT DOES THIS AFFIDAVIT MEAN?

By completing this affidavit, you are swearing to the U.S. government that you will provide this student with a specific amount of money from your own financial resources *for every year* of their studies at Sarah Lawrence College and live in the U.S. You are also proving that you can afford the financial support you are promising with the documents you have attached.

Before signing the affidavit, you must understand that you are making a financial commitment to the student that should not be broken. Do not expect that the student will be able to help support the costs through employment. Employment in F-1 student status has strict restriction requirements and there are limited opportunities in the US.

HOW TO COMPLETE THIS FORM:

- Fill this form out completely in English. Promise only the amount of money you are able to provide.
- Attach the documentary evidence of support. Demonstrate that you are financially capable of providing support for *every year* of the student's program, and attach **acceptable evidence of financial funding in your name** to the affidavit of support. If another person's name appears on your bank statement, that person must complete a separate affidavit permitting those funds to be considered as financial support for the student. Please include additional proof of financial resources.
- Sign and date the affidavit.

THIS IS MY SWORN AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT

By completing and signing this affidavit, you are swearing to the U.S. government that you will provide this student with a specific amount of money from your own financial resources *for every year* of the student's program of study at Sarah Lawrence College and while they live in the U.S. You are also proving that you can afford the support with the documents you have attached.

Do not expect that the student will be able to help support the costs through employment. Employment in F-1 student status has strict requirements and limited in the United States.

I, _____, hereby declare and promise that I am willing and able
Your full name

to provide financial support for _____
Student's full name

in the amount of US _____. This yearly financial support will be used for tuition, fees, room, board, insurance, books, supplies, and personal expenses while the above named student attends Sarah Lawrence College in the United States.

Please indicate your relationship to the student: _____
(Example: parent, spouse, uncle, aunt, brother, sister, friend, or other)

Address: _____
Number and Street

City Postal Code Country

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

I have attached the following required documents:

☐ Bank Statement(s) in US dollars ☐ Other acceptable financial documents US Dollars

I certify that the information I have provided above is true and correct and I certify that the financial resources I will provide in support of the student's application for a Form I-20 are available to the student for the entire duration of the studies identified in the application.

Sponsor signature _____ *Date* _____

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ACCEPTABLE EVIDENCE OF FINANCIAL FUNDING

Students may submit one or a combination of the following documents:

Bank Letter: The bank letter must be issued within 6 months of the start date of the academic term at Sarah Lawrence College. The bank letter must be on official bank letterhead dated and stamped or signed by a bank representative. The letter must be in English or accompanied with an official translation.

The letter must contain: ● the Account holder's name ● account number ● type of account (checking or savings) ● current balance in US Dollars.

Bank statement: The bank statement must be issued within 6 months of the start date of the academic term at Sarah Lawrence College and show history of transactions (deposits and withdrawals). The bank statement must be in English or accompanied with an official translation.

The bank statement must contain: ● the Account holder's name ● account number ● type of account (checking or savings) ● current balance in US Dollars.

Certificate of deposit: Certificates of time/fixed deposit must be issued within the most recent 6 months in the student's and/or sponsor's name with a maturity date no later than the start date of the academic term at Sarah Lawrence College. If the maturity date is after the semester start date or no maturity date is specified, the financial institution must specify the exact amount of funds, in US Dollars, that are liquid and can be freely withdrawn.

Approved educational loan: Loan paperwork must show the student's name as the loan holder, the amount of the approved loan, the date the loan takes effect, and the terms and conditions of the loan.

Guaranteed Scholarship Award letter: Must show your full name and amount. It must also come in official letterhead.

Investment Accounts: The investment account statement must be issued within 6 months of the start date of the academic term at Sarah Lawrence College. The investment account statement must show holdings in the student's and/or sponsor's name. The statements must specify the exact amount of funds, in US Dollars, that are liquid and can be freely withdrawn.

Unacceptable Proof of Primary Financial Funding:

Non-liquid funds; retirement and pension accounts; 401K accounts; life insurance; public providence funds; salary and income letters; tax returns; rental income; real estate property deeds; jewelry or vehicle deeds; certification of assets by chartered accountants; third party evaluation of funds; cryptocurrency accounts; unapproved or conditional educational loans; credit card accounts.