

Financial Affidavit of Support

GUIDELINES FOR DOCUMENTATION OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Educational institutions are required by the Department of Homeland Security to have documentary proof of adequate financial support prior to issuing the I-20. Failure to fully and properly follow the instructions on this information sheet will result in non-issuance of the I-20 form which is required (1) to obtain a visa and enter the U.S., (2) to transfer from another U.S. school to Shelton State Community College, and (3) to extend F-1 or J-1 visa status at Shelton State Community College.

The specific amount of financial support must be a minimum of \$28,000 USD for the current academic year. Add \$3,600 USD for a dependent spouse and each dependent child accompanying you to Shelton State Community College. Please be aware that actual dependent costs may be much higher due to additional medical insurance expenses, food, clothing, and daycare for children.

FINANCIAL DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS WITH GOVERNMENT FUNDING, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND GRANTS

The information below describes usual financial requirements. Shelton State Community College reserves the right to require original documents as well as additional or different financial documentation. You will be notified if special documentation is required.

Government Funding, Scholarships, and Grants: A letter of award confirming a scholarship or loan must be submitted with the F-1 I-20 request form. The award letter must meet the following requirements:

1. must be an original document or verifiable, true copy or unaltered scan of the original document;
2. must be on official letterhead stationery of the scholarship or loan organization;
3. must be addressed to Shelton State Community College;
4. must be dated within three to six months of the intended date of enrollment;
5. must specify the amount, terms, and duration of the award or loan, including specific beginning and ending dates; and
6. must contain billing instructions specifying how the scholarship or loan organization intends to pay your tuition and fee bills.

Loans: Shelton State Community College does not accept or certify loans from any funding source.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUPPORTING BANK LETTER FOR FAMILY/SELF-SPONSORED STUDENTS

Students whose financial sponsorship comes from family or personal funds must provide documentation of financial resources available to them. While Shelton State will accept copies and scans, Shelton State reserves the right to require original documents as well as additional or different financial documentation. You will be notified if special documentation is required.

1. A letter on official stationery (must be an original document or verifiable, true copy or unaltered scan of the original document), must be submitted from a bank or other financial institution where the prospective student or parent has savings deposits, certificates of deposit, money market certificates, or other types of accounts containing readily available funds.
2. If deposits are in more than one financial institution, a separate letter must be submitted from each bank.
3. The letter(s) must provide a specific amount of funds and the name of the account holder.
4. The letter(s) must be signed and dated less than six months from when the student plans to enroll.
5. No changes, alterations, or modifications may be made to any information appearing on the letter(s).
6. Income tax statements or returns, proof of property ownership, and letters stating that the student or the sponsor possesses "sufficient financial resources" or "earns enough" are **NOT** acceptable as evidence of readily available funds.
7. The bank letter must be in English; otherwise, attach a translation into English.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EMPLOYMENT IN THE U.S.

On-Campus Employment

On-Campus jobs are few in number and difficult to obtain. Therefore, you are advised **not** to plan on supplementing your financial support with on-campus employment.

Off-Campus Employment

It is a **violation of U.S. Department of Homeland Security regulations** for international students to be employed off-campus without first obtaining written work authorization. Unauthorized employment will result in loss of valid nonimmigrant status and its benefits. Do **NOT** expect to supplement your financial support by working off-campus.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please enter any and all sources of funding and the amount of finances available to support your study and living expenses while at Shelton State Community College. If funds are from an organization, grant, or government support, please include a copy of any letters of award or sponsorship. If your support will come from personal or parent funds, please include bank certification not more than 6 months old.

The specific amount of funds must total at least \$28,000 USD for the current academic year. Add \$3,600 USD for a dependent spouse and each dependent child accompanying you to Shelton State Community College.

Family/Last Name(Surname)	Given Name(First)	Middle Name (If Any)
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Permanent Address

Street: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Country of Citizenship	Country of Birth	Telephone	Email
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Student Source(s) of Funds	Projected Support Per Year	Official Certification of Funds: By signing this form, the sponsor certifies that funding amount(s) listed is true and that funds are readily available and will be provided as indicated.
A. Personal Funds or Savings • Attach official letter(s) from bank(s) certifying the amount listed for first year of study	U.S. Dollars (enter amount) \$ _____	A1: Name of Financial Institution: _____ A2: Country of Financial Institution: _____
B. Parent's Funds or Saving: ___ Father ___ Mother • Attach official letter(s) from the parent's banks(s) certifying amount listed.	U.S. Dollars (enter amount) \$ _____	B1: Parent is currently living in the U.S.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No B2: Parent is U.S. citizen or permanent resident? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No B3: Occupation of Parent: _____ B4: Name of Parent: _____ B5: Parent's Signature: _____ Date of Signature: ____/____/____
C. Other Sponsors • Attach official letter(s) from the sponsors banks(s) certifying amount listed. • A sponsor who is not a relative must submit a letter describing the reasons for sponsoring you financially. • Persons in the U.S. who are not US citizens or legal permanent residents are not acceptable as financial sponsors.	U.S. Dollars (enter amount) \$ _____	C1: Relationship of sponsor to student: _____ C2: Sponsor is currently living in the U.S.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No C3: Sponsor is U.S. citizen or U.S. legal permanent resident/green card holder? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No C4: Occupation of Sponsor: _____ C5: Name of Sponsor: _____ C6: Sponsor's Signature: _____ Date of Signature: ____/____/____
D. Student's Home Government or Sponsoring Agency • Attach a signed copy of your Award Letter.	U.S. Dollars (enter amount) \$ _____	Does your home government currently impose restrictions on exchange and release of funds for study in the U.S.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

By signing below, I certify that all information on this form is true. I understand that any misrepresentation may be cause for a refusing or revoking admission to Shelton State Community College.

Students Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

ISS Witness Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____