GREETINGS!

The Office of International Services (OIS) has prepared this packet of information to facilitate the preparation and issuance of the required visa documents to enable international graduate students to engage in programs of study at Pitt.

In order to ensure the process goes smoothly and is completed within a timely manner, it is extremely important that you read the materials in this packet very carefully and follow the instructions. This will avoid delays in the processing of your visa documents.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please visit http://www.ois.pitt.edu.

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**The Process for Issuing Visa Documents for International Students**

1. Upon receiving an offer of admission, you will be requested to notify the school or department that you accept the offer of admission. You must also complete and submit the International Graduate Student Supplemental Forms, which includes a Certification of Financial Responsibility.

2. The school or department then sends a copy of your admission letter and the completed International Graduate Student Forms to the Office of International Services for processing.

3. Your financial support information will be reviewed in the Office of International Services.

4. If the financial support information submitted is acceptable, a visa document is then prepared and sent to you.
International Graduate Student Supplemental Form

Biographical Information

Name: ____________________________

Family Name    Given Name    Middle Name

Gender:  Male [ ] Female [ ]
Marital Status:  Married [ ] Single [ ]

Date of Birth ___ / ___ / ______

mm  dd  yyyy

U.S. Social Security Number (if applicable): __________________________

City of Birth: ____________________________  Country of Birth: ____________________________

Country of Citizenship: ____________________________  Country of Legal Permanent Residence: ____________________________

Position/Occupation in Home Country: ____________________________ (e.g, student, professor, etc.)

Current Mailing Address:

Street Address ____________________________

City, State/Province ____________________________

Country and Postal Code ____________________________

Telephone ____________________________ Fax ____________________________ E-Mail ____________________________

Address in Home Country (if different from above):

Street Address ____________________________

City, State/Province ____________________________

Country and Postal Code ____________________________

Telephone ____________________________ Fax ____________________________ E-Mail ____________________________

Address to Which Visa Documents Should be Sent:

Street Address ____________________________

City, State/Province ____________________________

Country and Postal Code ____________________________

Telephone ____________________________ Fax ____________________________ E-Mail ____________________________
**Immigration Information**

If you are **currently INSIDE the United States**, please complete the following:

1. Current Visa Classification: \_
   Current Sponsor/School: \\

2. Date of Initial Entry into United States (mm/dd/yyyy): ___ / _____ / __________

3. I-94 Admission Number _________________ I-94Expiration Date: ___ / _____ / __________ (If D/S, check here: □)

4. You must attach supporting documentation verifying current visa classification, e.g., Form I-20, Form DS-2019, etc.)

If you are **currently OUTSIDE the United States**, please complete the following:

City/Country where you will apply for the required visa: ________________________________

**Dependent Information**

*For each dependent who will accompany you to the U.S., please provide the following information. Use additional sheet if necessary. Please note that a dependent is defined as your spouse and/or any unmarried children under 21 years of age.*

#1 - Gender:    M  F  Relationship:________________________
   Family Name: ___________________________ Given Name: ______________________ Middle Name: __________________________
   Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) ___ / _____ / _____ City & Country of Birth: ______________________________
   Country of Citizenship: __________________________ Country of Residence: __________________________

#2 - Gender:    M  F  Relationship:________________________
   Family Name: ___________________________ Given Name: ______________________ Middle Name: __________________________
   Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) ___ / _____ / _____ City & Country of Birth: ______________________________
   Country of Citizenship: __________________________ Country of Residence: __________________________

#3 - Gender:    M  F  Relationship:________________________
   Family Name: ___________________________ Given Name: ______________________ Middle Name: __________________________
   Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) ___ / _____ / _____ City & Country of Birth: ______________________________
   Country of Citizenship: __________________________ Country of Residence: __________________________

“The statements and information provided on this application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.”

Signature ___________________________________________ Date __________________________
School of Information Sciences

You MUST review the following instructions before completing and signing this form. Failure to read the instructions and complete the form correctly will result in delays in the processing of your application and issuance of your visa document.

1. Review the cost estimates and the estimated length of the degree program to which you are applying.
2. Complete the certification indicating the amount of support that will be provided from each source for each year of the program. You MUST show immediately available liquid assets for the first year only. (NOTE: Liquid assets include money in a banking account, stocks, bonds, or other investments with cash value. Retirement accounts cannot be used as a source of financial support unless the sponsor can provide evidence that he/she is, in fact, retired and able to access those funds without penalty for early withdrawal. Real estate or other non-liquid asset such as automobiles, jewelry, or other personal property cannot be used as a source of financial support under any circumstances). For the following years beyond year one, you must document the availability of finances as well, but they do not have to be in immediately available liquid assets. Financing for the subsequent years can be demonstrated by providing letters or other documentation verifying ongoing anticipated earnings such as salary or investment income, or other assets that will demonstrate your ability to fund your program for the entire duration of the program.
3. All proof of financial support must be submitted in English.
4. All proof of financial support must be stated in U.S. dollars and clearly state the date that the documentation was written or printed.
5. All proof of financial support must be an original document.
6. Please be aware that evidence of financial support must also be shown to the U.S. Embassy or Consulate when applying for a visa. Therefore, you will need to have two sets of financial support documents—one to submit to the University of Pittsburgh and one for the U.S. Embassy or Consulate.
7. More than one sponsor may be used. More than one sponsor may copy this form for use.

ESTIMATED LENGTH & COST OF STUDIES

Master’s Degree – One Year, 8 months / Doctoral Degree – Four Years

**Master’s Degree**

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**Dependents:** For each dependent, add an additional $3,080.00 per year.

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¹ All costs are estimates and are subject to change without notice.
Certification of Financial Responsibility

Student’s Name

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Department/School

Sponsor’s Name

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Sponsor’s Address (Number and Street):

City: __________________________ State/Province: __________________________

Country: __________________________ Postal Code: __________________________

Phone: __________________________ E-Mail: __________________________

Relationship of Sponsor to Student: __________________________

Certification of Financial Responsibility

I/we hereby certify that I/we will provide financial support for __________________________ to engage in a program of study at the University of Pittsburgh. I/we will provide funds from the following sources:

1. Provided each year from annual salary/income.
   Total annual salary in $US _________________
   You MUST attach documentation annual salary/income.

2. Provided from bank account with a total in $US _____________________.
   You MUST attach an Official Bank Statement.

3. Provided from other sources.
   You MUST identify source(s) and attach documentation.

4. Total Available from All Sources: _________________

__________________________ / __________________________
Signature of Sponsor Date Signed

2 Support for the first year must be in immediately available liquid assets. Subsequent years can be demonstrated by providing letters or other documentation verifying ongoing anticipated earnings such as salary or investment income, or other assets that will demonstrate your ability to fund your program for the entire duration of the program.