

Rackham Graduate School Requirements for Certification of Funds

If you need an F-1 or J-1 visa, the University of Michigan is required by U.S. government regulations to obtain documentation proving that international applicants (non-U.S. Citizens) have adequate financial resources to provide for their expenses while in the United States. Rackham Admissions is the U-M office that will prepare your immigration document (I- 20 or DS-2019) once you have provided your documentation through Wolverine Access.

After you have accepted your admission offer, we recommend that you begin the process of gathering all the required financial documentation and creating one file to upload in Wolverine Access.

Acceptable means of support to meet the Total Estimated Expenses are:

Personal Funds: An official bank statement in your name that includes the Requirements for Documentation of Funds listed to the right.	Requirements for Documentation of Funds <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the name of the financial institution• the account holder’s name• type of account, clearly indicates the currency and the account balance• must be dated within one year of initial enrollment• do not submit statements with the transaction history• all documents must be in English; financial statements in the native language must be accompanied with an official English translation• all accounts must be easily accessible; the maturity date must occur before the <i>beginning</i> of the term
Family (parents, other family relatives) or other individuals <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each individual contributing must complete the Rackham Affidavit of Financial Support• Submit an official bank statement that includes the Requirements for Documentation of Funds listed to the right• In the case of jointly held accounts, each individual holder must complete an Affidavit. Make additional copies of page 4 as necessary.	
Government/Employer/Organization Sponsor A detailed letter from the sponsor stating the exact U.S. dollar amount being provided for tuition, living expenses, health insurance, books/supplies, and dependents (if applicable). This letter must be original and on official letterhead and <i>include the dates of sponsorship, name of program and degree level.</i> The letter <i>must be dated within one year of initial enrollment.</i>	
University of Michigan Award Letter or email that details the type of funding (GSI/GSRA, Fellowship, etc.), the specific amount and duration of the award. If the award does not cover the total estimated expenses, you must provide personal funds that cover the remaining balance.	
Educational Loans A detailed letter on official letterhead from the financial institution that indicates your name, the approved amount of the loan, and the duration for which the loan is available.	

NOTE: The following documents are NOT acceptable:

- stocks, bonds, equities, investments, mutual funds, and retirement accounts. (Indian Provident Funds: Fund manager must provide terms and conditions for fund disbursement)
- the maturity/expiry date for fixed/term deposit is after the start of the term
- non-liquid assets of property or personal assets (automobiles, land, buildings, jewelry, etc.)
- statements verifying employment and salary
- insurance premiums and policies
- income tax returns
- attestations stating only that a sponsor can meet the expenses

Tips for Successful Uploading of Your Financial and Immigration Documents

1. To expedite the process, combine the documents into a single PDF file (if possible). You may use a free app like PDF Merge, Small PDF, or Alto Merge to combine your documents.
2. Only the completed pages 1 and 2 of the Rackham Graduate School Affidavit of Financial Support will be accepted.
3. Do not upload the same document multiple times.
4. Once you have uploaded your required financial documents, preview the upload to make sure that the document(s) is readable, scanned to the appropriate orientation; portrait or landscape (cannot be sideways or upside down).

IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS ARE PREPARED AND SHIPPED BY THE RACKHAM GRADUATE SCHOOL

Options to obtain I-20 or DS-2019

eShip: Please sign up and pay for the **eShip**. See <https://rackham.umich.edu/admissions/applying/action-items-for-international-students/>. **Be sure to select "Rackham Graduate School" for "department."** Your credit card will be charged at the time you create your eShip account.

Pick-Up: Email Rackham Admissions at rackadmis@umich.edu if you're local and would like to pick up the I-20 or DS2019, or **have someone to pick it up for you**.

READ THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS TO AVOID A DELAY

Review our website prior to completing the affidavit: <https://rackham.umich.edu/admissions/applying/immigration-documents/>. Review the *estimated expense amounts below* and provide the required financial documentation according to your appropriate program of study. **Tuition and fees are subject to change at any time as approved by the Board of Regents. For F-1 visas**, you are required to certify the estimated expenses (plus dependent expenses, if applicable) for the first year. **For J-1 visas**, financial requirements are for the duration of the program.

Rackham Graduate School

2020 - 2021

Rackham Affidavit of Financial Support

Estimated Student Expenses 2020-2021 (Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 terms only – September 2020 through August 2021)	
Tuition and Fees for one academic year	\$51,220
Living Expenses (housing, food, utilities, transportation, personal items – 12 months)	21,000
Books and Supplies (Fall and Winter terms only)	1,200
Mandatory Health Insurance (12 months)	1,884
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES	\$75,304
Estimated Dependent Expenses (in addition to the above estimated student expenses)	
Spouse's living expenses, not including insurance (12 months)	\$6,000
Each additional dependent's living expenses, not including insurance (12 months)	3,000
Mandatory Health Insurance for student and one dependent (12 months)	3,684
Mandatory Health Insurance for student and more than one dependent (12 months)	5,496

M.S. Architecture only

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Architecture 2020 - 2021

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Estimated Student Expenses 2020-2021 (Summer-half term 2020 through Winter 2021 terms – July 2020 through April 2021)	
Tuition and Fees for Summer-half term, Fall and Winter terms	\$62,086
Living Expenses (housing, food, utilities, transportation, personal items – 10 months)	17,500
Books and Supplies (Summer Half, Fall and Winter terms)	1,500
Mandatory Health Insurance (10 months)	1,570
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES	\$82,656
Estimated Dependent Expenses (in addition to the above estimated student expenses)	
Spouse's living expenses, not including insurance (10 months)	\$5,000
Each additional dependent's living expenses, not including insurance (10 months)	2,500
Mandatory Health Insurance for student and one dependent (10 months)	3,070
Mandatory Health Insurance for student and more than one dependent (10 months)	4,580

M.S. Dentistry only

Rackham Graduate School - DENTISTRY 2020 - 2021

Rackham Affidavit of Financial Support

Estimated Student Expenses 2020-2021 (Summer-half 2020 through Spring-Summer 2021 – July 2020 through August 2021)	
Tuition and Fees for Summer-half term, Fall, Winter, and Spring-Summer terms	\$58,821
Living Expenses (housing, food, utilities, transportation, personal items – 14 months)	24,500
Books and Supplies (Summer, Fall, Winter, and Spring-Summer terms)	2,100
Mandatory Health Insurance (14 months)	2,198
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES	\$87,619
Estimated Dependent Expenses (in addition to the above estimated student expenses)	
Spouse's living expenses, not including insurance (14 months)	\$7,000
Each additional dependent's living expenses, not including insurance (14 months)	3,500
Mandatory Health Insurance for student and one dependent (14 months)	4,298
Mandatory Health Insurance for student and more than one dependent (14 months)	6,412

APPLICANT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please Print Clearly and Provide the Required Information Below)

Last Name (Family Name)	U-M ID Number (8-digit)
First Name (Given Name)	Date of Birth (month/day/year)
City and Country of Birth	Country of Citizenship
Country of Legal Permanent Residence	Program of Study
Current Occupation	Proposed Term of Admission

Personal/Other Sponsor (Check and sign only one box below for each sponsor)

Name of Sponsor (please print): _____ Relationship _____

Address of Sponsor: _____

<input type="checkbox"/> I will provide full financial support for the applicant's (and dependents, if applicable) tuition, fees, and living expenses <u>for the first and subsequent years</u> at the University of Michigan. As verification that funding is available, I have attached an official bank statement(s) for the first year. Signature of Sponsor: _____ Date: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> I will provide partial financial support in the amount of \$ _____ for the applicant's (and dependents, if applicable) estimated expenses. As verification that funding is available, I have attached an official bank statement(s) for the first year. <u>Do not fill in if full financial support section is checked.</u> Signature of Sponsor: _____ Date: _____
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Information for dependents as it appears on their passport. The following dependents will accompany me to U-M:

Dependent Name (Last, First, Middle)	Relationship to You (Husband, Wife, Son, Daughter)	Birth date (month/day/year)	City, Country of Birth	Country of Citizenship

Applicant Declaration: I, _____ hereby promise that the information
(Applicant's printed name)

provided is correct and complete. I understand I am responsible for all anticipated yearly expenses for the length of my stay (and accompanying dependents) at the University of Michigan. I understand that these documents will not be returned to me. The Rackham Graduate School reserves the right to request the original documents.

Applicant signature _____ Date: _____