

New Department of State federal regulations require all J-1 Exchange Visitors have:

“... sufficient proficiency in the English language as determined by an objective measurement of English language proficiency, successfully to participate in his or her program and to function on a day-to-day basis” [22 CFR 62.10(a)(2)]. Because of this regulation, sponsors must now verify an applicant's English language proficiency.

Please check all methods used to assess English language skills of the J-1 Exchange Visitor:

**Visitor Name:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Appointment (GI/GS/SSF)**\_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_A recognized English language test

Please verify which test (e.g. TOEFL, IELTS) \_\_\_\_\_.

2. \_\_\_By signed documentation from an academic institution or English language school

Please verify the name of academic institution or English language school

\_\_\_\_\_.

3. \_\_\_ Through a documented interview conducted by the sponsor

Please verify the method(s) used below:

☐ **In-person interview**

Name and title of interviewer\_\_\_\_\_ and date of interview \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Videoconferencing**

Name and title of interviewer\_\_\_\_\_ and date of interview \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Telephone interview if videoconferencing is not a viable option**

Name and title of interviewer\_\_\_\_\_ and date of interview \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I have verified that the scholar noted above possesses sufficient English proficiency to successfully participate in this Exchange Visitor program at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution and function on a day-to-day basis in the U.S.

Sponsor Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Title\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_