

# Instructions for International Students Only: Financial Statement of Personal or Family Support

## Who is considered an international student?

At USC, an international student is an individual of foreign nationality who will be entering, or has already entered, the United States with a student visa. Students already living in the United States and holding other non-immigrant visas (for example, an E2, H2 or L2) are also considered international students. (Individuals currently in the United States on a B visa may not apply for admission.)

On the application for admission, please write your name as it appears on your passport and/or your I-20 or DS-2019. If the name on your school record is different, enter that name in the field provided. As an international student, you must provide a valid address outside the United States that is not a P.O. box, even if your current mailing address is in the United States. Please submit a copy of your current passport together with this form.

## Financial Statement of Personal or Family Support

International students are required to submit the Financial Statement of Personal or Family Support to the address listed on this form. The United States government requires all international applicants to provide proof of ability to pay tuition and living expenses before USC can issue a formal letter of admission and the forms required to obtain a visa.

International students do not qualify for need-based financial aid. The financial support document, stating your ability to pay for the first academic year of tuition and expenses, must be verified by a bank and dated within the last year. Applicants relying on support from their home government or other official agency must send USC a similarly appropriate financial support document from their sponsor. It is crucial for applicants to submit their financial support documents with their applications if they wish to receive notification of admission in a timely manner (2).

Please be aware that international students will not be able to pay for the full amount of their educational expenses by working while they are in the United States. U.S. government regulations strictly limit employment authorization and require holders of student visas to be full-time students; therefore, job opportunities are extremely limited.

## Academic-Year Expense Estimate\* (9 months)

### International Undergraduate Students

Tuition and mandatory fees	\$48,347 (1)
Room and board	\$13,334
Books and supplies	\$1,500
Transportation	\$580
Miscellaneous expenses	\$1,000
Total estimated costs	\$64,761

(Add \$350 USC Orientation Fee to your first semester.)

\*This is an estimated budget for the academic year 2014–2015. Costs for the 2015–2016 academic year are expected to increase. Students should check the Financial Aid website in March 2015 for updated figures. This is considered a moderate budget. Individual expenses will vary. The amount to be verified for one year of study is \$64,761.

### Notes:

- 1 Tuition costs are based on 12 to 18 undergraduate units per semester. Additional laboratory and equipment fees may be assessed, depending on the student's course of study. Summer fees are not included.
- 2 Any scholarship amount can be submitted as part of the financial support document.

Please visit [www.usc.edu/internationalstudents](http://www.usc.edu/internationalstudents) for additional information.

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## Financial Statement of Personal or Family Support (Confidential)

This form MUST be accompanied by a financial support document indicating available funds.

Applicant's last (family) name (as it appears on passport):	First (given) name:
Applicant's last (family) name on school documents (if different from above):	
USC ID number (if known):	Birthdate (month/day/year):
Signature of applicant:	Date (month/day/year):

Applicant's Sponsor	
Name of sponsor:	
Address:	
Telephone number:	E-mail:
Relationship to applicant:	
Yearly amount of support in U.S. dollars (see previous page for estimated costs):    \$	

By signing this affidavit of support, I promise to be financially responsible for tuition, fees, living expenses and any other relevant expenses of the applicant whose name appears above.

Signature of sponsor:	Date (month/day/year):
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### Guidelines for Submitting Document

1) You may submit this form and supporting documentation as PDFs via the Common Application. On the My Colleges tab, select the University of Southern California. You will find the link to upload your documents in the Other Information section of the Application Questions. Make sure your documents are saved as PDFs and less than 500 MB in size.

OR

2) Mail this form and financial support document to:

USC Office of Admission  
Undergraduate  
University Park Campus  
Los Angeles, CA 90089-0911  
USA

OR

3) E-mail this form and financial support document to:

admitusc@usc.edu