



International Students and Scholars Office

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J-1 Academic Staff to Add Spouse or Children for J-2 Visa Application

To bring a spouse/children to the United States, J-1 academic staff need to obtain a new Form DS-2019 for them to apply for J-2 visas at the U.S. embassy or consulate overseas. J-2 visas are only for immediate family members (spouse and children). In order for the International Students and Scholars Office to issue the DS-2019 for your family, you must show financial support for each accompanying family member for at least one year or length of your program (whichever is less).

Minimum required support:

For husband and wife: \$6,600 per year or \$550 per month
For each child: \$3,300 per year or \$275 per month

Proof of funding may either be a bank statement from within the last six months, a letter from your academic department detailing your employment and salary, or a letter from your sponsor. All family members must be covered by medical insurance while they are here in the United States. Once the ISSO has all the required documentation, it will take us approximately 3-5 working days to process the DS-2019.

Please fill out the form with your family information **EXACTLY** as it appears in the passports:

Your last name _____	first name _____
Your phone number _____	Your email _____
1) Your spouse's last name _____	first name _____
Date of birth (month/date/year) _____	City of birth _____
Country of Birth _____	Country of Citizenship _____
Country of Legal Permanent Residence _____	
2) Your child's last name _____	first name _____
Date of birth (month/date/year) _____	City of birth _____
Country of Birth _____	Country of Citizenship _____
Country of Legal Permanent Residence _____ Male / female (circle one)	
3) Your child's last name _____	first name _____
Date of birth (month/date/year) _____	City of birth _____
Country of Birth _____	Country of Citizenship _____
Country of Legal Permanent Residence _____ Male / female (circle one)	