



Financial Documentation

F-1 and J-1 students must prove they have sufficient funding to meet their educational and living expenses for their degree program. F-1 Students must show funding to cover one year of expenses and provide evidence that this funding will continue to the end of the degree program. J-1 students must show funding to cover one year of expenses at the beginning of each academic year *or* funding for the duration of the program.

Evidence of funding must be **original documents, less than 6 months old** and funds must be “liquid” meaning that they must be easily and readily accessible for use. Real estate, personal property, life insurance or other non-liquid assets are not acceptable as proof of funding. Documentation must be in **English**. If it is not available in English, please secure an official translation and have that documentation notarized.

Note that both F-1 and J-1 students have very limited abilities to work in the U.S. and F-2 dependents may not work at all, so students must ensure that their funding will continue for the duration of their programs. J-2 dependents are able to work, but just to cover their expenses and *not* the J-1 student expenses.

Personal Funding (financing your own education):

- Provide a letter from your bank on bank letterhead or a certification of deposit indicating your name, the current balance and when the account was opened.
- Or, if a loan will be your source of funds, provide a copy of the loan approval. (Loan application documents will not be accepted).

Family/Private Funding (funds from family or other individuals):

- Provide a letter from the bank on bank letterhead or a certification of deposit indicating the sponsor’s name, the current balance and when the account was opened.
- Also, provide an affidavit of support (see below).

Scholarship/Assistantship (funds from Widener, your government, or other agency):

- Provide a letter on company letterhead indicating the amount and duration of funding.

Affidavit of Support

I, _____, certify that I will financially support _____
(sponsor’s name) *(student’s name)*

who is my _____ while the student attends Widener
(relationship)

University. I will provide _____ per year to pay tuition, fees, living expenses, books/supplies, medical insurance, dependent expenses, and other educational expenses. This funding will continue throughout the student’s program of study which will take _____ years to complete.

_____ SIGNATURE and DATE