



THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AND SCHOLAR SERVICES

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Dear student and sponsor,

We are excited about your interest in The University of Southern Mississippi! We want to ensure you understand the full scope of the financial responsibility for pursuing your studies with our institution.

A Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 or DS-2019) will not be authorized until this form is completed and returned to the institution.

- All supporting financial documents must be in ENGLISH or accompanied by a notarized English translation showing available liquid funds.
- The costs listed in your Affidavit of Support are estimates and cover the fall and spring semesters only. Any summer studies will require additional tuition fees and living expenses.
- Although proof of funding is required for the first year only, you are expected to fund your studies for the duration of your educational program.
- Financial assistance is typically limited for international students. Do not expect student employment as a means to cover the required expenses for study at The University of Southern Mississippi, unless you have received an offer of a graduate assistantship with your graduate admission. Student employment is available; but, it is extremely competitive and limited.

I have reviewed the estimated expenses and agree I will provide financial support so long as the student is enrolled at The University of Southern Mississippi. Financial support will meet costs for tuition and mandatory student fees, mandatory medical health insurance, room and board, and other personal living expenses for the duration of study.

I certify if restrictions exist regarding the transfer of funds from my home country and the United States, I have fully investigated them and am aware of the procedures I must follow to remit payment by the due date.

I certify all the information contained within the financial support documents are true and accurate and the stated funds are available for educational and personal expenses of the student while studying at The University of Southern Mississippi.

I will notify the university immediately of any changes in the financial circumstances of the student or sponsor.

I understand the submission of inaccurate information can be considered sufficient cause for terminating my application or I-20.

I understand if I move to a higher level program, such as ELI to Bachelors, Bachelors to Masters, etc., it is mandatory to show financial support documents covering the new costs at that time.

Student Signature

Date

Sponsor Signature

Date



AFFIDAVIT OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Please print or type the following information:

Student's name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Sponsor's name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Sponsor's address: _____
(Street Address)

(City) (State or Province) (Country) (Zip Code)

Sponsor's occupation: _____

Sponsor's relationship to student: _____

Declaration of Student: I have read the estimated budget for an international student which appears on the next page. I understand United States Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Department of Homeland Security require I show proof to The University of Southern Mississippi of my financial ability to meet these expenses. I also understand I am required by law to show proof of finances to cover, at least, my first year of study. In addition, I must provide proof of adequate funding will be available to cover subsequent years. I understand that if I cannot meet my financial obligations to the university, or if it becomes evident that I have given false information in this Affidavit of Financial Support, I may be withdrawn from school.

Signature of student Date

Declaration of Sponsor: I have read the estimated budget for an international student which appears on the next page. I agree to financially support the above named student for a period of _____ year(s) in the amount of USD \$ _____ per year.

Signature of sponsor Date

Supporting evidence of financial support must be attached to the affidavit. Three months of bank statements must be submitted from the bank or financial institution in which the sponsor has their financial accounts. This information should be on letterhead with the bank information included, the account holder listed, with a total of available funds. ALL funding for study must be currently available. These documents should be from the three months prior to this document being signed.

Income tax statements, certificates of deposit, investment accounts that are not readily accessible, proof of property ownership and statements of employment are not acceptable as evidence of the availability of funds.

Estimated Expenses for Fall 2020 - Spring 2021
International Students

BREAKDOWN OF EXPENSES

Total Expenses	Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Annual
<i>If you bring dependents, please add \$2,500 for the first dependent and \$1,000 for each additional dependent</i>			
Tuition and fees ¹	\$5,448.00	\$5,448.00	\$10,896.00
Living expenses ²	\$5,565.00	\$5,565.00	\$11,130.00
Health insurance	\$	\$	\$2,004.00
<i>Health insurance coverage is for 12 months - Spring insurance bill includes summer coverage</i>			
Total			\$24,030.00

ALL FEES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTIFICATION

This is an estimate provided for average costs of studying and living (9 months) at The University of Southern Mississippi. Actual amounts could differ based upon choices made about living accommodations and spending habits. This estimate does NOT include costs for living or studying in Hattiesburg during the summer semester.

Each student should arrive on campus with at least \$1,200.00 in cash, or a check/bank draft made out to the student, to cover initial personal expenses (clinic charges, food, housing, toiletries, etc). In addition, 50% of tuition and fees are due in U.S. currency at the start of each semester and should be brought as a bank draft made out to The University of Southern Mississippi.

Those students who will bring dependents (spouse and/or child) must show proof of an additional \$2,500.00 per year for the first dependent and \$1,000.00 per year for each additional dependent. Please contact the ISSS Office for more information regarding this matter.

¹ Tuition and Fees Breakdown	Fall 2020	Spring 2021	
<i>Includes Capital Improvement fee of \$35 and Student Activities fee of \$20 each fall and spring</i>			
Resident Tuition and Fees	\$4,448.00	\$4,448.00	\$8,896.00
Non-Resident Fee	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
			\$10,896.00

² Estimated Living Expenses Breakdown	Fall 2020	Spring 2021	
On-Campus Housing - Wilber Hall	\$2,307.00	\$2,307.00	\$4,614.00
Meal Plan	\$1,983.00	\$1,983.00	\$3,966.00
Books, Supplies, Additional Course Fees	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$1,500.00
Personal Spending	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$900.00
International Student Programming Fee	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$150.00
Total			\$11,130.00