DETERMINING SCHOLAR VISA TYPE BY PAY AND TIME

Academic Departments: Contact OISS to consult on choosing the best category for a visiting professor or scholar. Scholars: Contact a USD academic department for information about becoming a visiting professor or scholar.

REIMBURSEMENT OR NO SALARY

Service No Longer Than 9 Days
B-1/B-2 Visa
1. SSN* or ITIN
2. Letter of Invitation from USD Department
3. Evidence of Financial Support
4. Visa Application + Fee

Service Longer Than 9 Days (Max. 5 Years)
J-1 Visa
1. SSN or ITIN
2. USD Contract or Letter of Invitation from USD Department
3. DS-2019 Request Form
4. Evidence of Financial Support
5. Visa Application + Fee
6. SEVIS Fee

SALARY OR HONORARIUM

Service No Longer Than 9 Days
B-1/B-2 Visa
1. SSN* or ITIN
2. Letter of Invitation from USD Department
3. Evidence of Financial Support
4. Visa Application + Fee

Service Longer Than 9 Days
Short Term: 9 Days to 6 Mos. (No Bar)
Longer Term: 6 Mos. to Max. 5 Years (24-month bar on repeat participation)
J-1 Visa
1. SSN or ITIN
2. USD Contract or Letter of Invitation from USD Department
3. DS-2019 Request Form
4. Evidence of Financial Support
5. Visa Application + Fee
6. SEVIS Fee

NOTE: Foreign nationals filling permanent or tenure track faculty positions will most likely require an H-1B visa. For questions on the H-1B visa, please contact the Human Resources Office.

*Applies when visitor is already in possession of a previously issued Social Security Number. If this is NOT the case, then an ITIN will need to be applied.