What does an Affidavit mean?

By completing this affidavit, you are attesting that you will provide this student with a specific amount to cover the expenses associated with tuition, living expenses, and all applicable fees as set forth by Teachers College, from your own financial resources, for every year of study at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Before signing this document, it is important to understand that you are making a financial commitment to the student that should not be broken. Sponsors who fail to provide the promised support may be forcing students to interrupt their studies.

Supporting Evidence

The student will be asked to submit bank statements or financial statements as evidence to support their financial plan of study. First year funds must reflect readily available cash reserves. As their sponsor, you should provide original documents of the bank statements/financial statements. The student will electronically submit the documents to the Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS). They will also keep the originals to present to the consul at the visa interview.

The bank statements/financial statements must be no older than 3 months, clearly indicate the bank’s name, account holder name, amount of money, type of account (checking, savings, or time deposits), type of currency, and date the statement was issued. If the bank statements are not in English, you must provide a certified or notarized version of the translated document in English.

The name on the bank statement must match the name of the person on the Affidavit of Support. If another person’s name appears on your bank statement, that person must complete a separate affidavit.

How to complete this form?

1. Fill out this form completely.
2. Promise only the amount of money you are able to provide.
3. Sign and date the affidavit.
4. Attach the bank statements as supporting evidence.
I certify that I am willing to provide ________________________________
(Full Name of Student) with no less than U.S. $_______________ per year for every
year of the student’s program of study at Teachers College, Columbia University.

My relationship to the student is ________________________________ (Parent, spouse,
ibling, friend).

My address: __________________________________________

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Telephone: __________________________________________

Email: __________________________________________

I certify that the information I have provided above is true and correct.

Print Sponsor’s Full Name: ________________________________

Signature of Sponsor: ________________________________

Today’s Date (Month/Day/Year): ________________________________