

SPONSOR'S AFFIDAVIT AND EVIDENCE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

WHAT DOES THIS AFFIDAVIT MEAN?

By completing this affidavit, you are attesting that you will provide this student with a specific amount of funding, from your own financial resources, *for every year of study* at Teachers College, Columbia University and to live in the U.S. 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

HOW TO COMPLETE THIS FORM:

- Fill out this form completely. Promise only the amount of money you are able to give.
- Sign and date the affidavit.
- Attach the supporting evidence listed below. The affidavit will not be accepted without the required supporting evidence.
- Provide the student with the original documents and have him or her submit them electronically or make photocopies to scan to us with the application for a Form I-20. The student will need to keep the originals to present to the consul at the visa interview.

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE REQUIRED:

The following documents are acceptable forms of funding evidence:

- **A bank statement:** Bank statements no older than 3 months. The bank statement must clearly indicate the bank's name, account holder name, amount of money, type of currency, and date the statement is from. 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. All documentation must be provided in English.*
- **Employment verification letter** from employer verifying annual salary and sponsor's position.

THIS IS MY PROMISE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

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, brother/sister, friend*)

My address is:

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:** ____/____/____