



Minot State UNIVERSITY

International Programs

Visiting Scholar Proof of English Proficiency

This form should be completed by the Chair of the sponsoring MSU Academic Department.

All J-1 Research Scholar, Professor, and Short-Term Scholar applicants are required to prove sufficient English language skills to perform the duties of the proposed program objectives and to navigate daily life in the United States before a Form DS-2019 will be issued. This form describes the options through which English language proficiency may be demonstrated.

Exchange Visitor Information:

(Family/Last Name) (First/Given Name) (Middle Name)

MSU Sponsoring Department: _____ Dept. Contact: _____

Method of Assessment: *Select one of the below and attach the required documentation identified for that option.*

English Language Proficiency Examination:
Scholar must provide a valid TOEFL iBT or IELTS examination results with a minimum score of 71 for TOEFL or a minimum score of 6.5 for IELTS. Test must have been completed within the last 2 years of application date.
Attach a copy of the official test score.

Test name: _____ Score: _____ Date test was administered: _____

Degree/Diploma:
Applicants who have at minimum completed a Bachelor's degree at a regionally accredited U.S. college or university.
Attach a copy of awarded degree.

Institution that awarded the degree: _____ Date of graduation: _____

Departmental Interview:
Departments may elect to interview applicant via Skype, IVN, or telephone to assess necessary English skills. **Attach a brief summary of applicant's English speaking, listening and comprehension abilities assessed during interview.**

Interview conducted by: _____ Date of interview: _____

Mode of interview: In-person Phone Skype IVN Face Time Other: _____

Applicant is a Native English Speaker: Indicate the applicant's country of citizenship: _____

Applicant will be accompanied by a professional English interpreter.
Attach a copy of the interpreter employment contract or agreement.

I understand that by signing this form, I am certifying that the J-1 scholar possesses sufficient English language skills to perform the duties of the proposed program objectives and to navigate daily life in the United States.

Signature of the Department Chair Date: _____

Department Chair name printed

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