

Checklist of J-1 Scholar Documents

For All Requests Include photocopies of the following:

- Identity/biographical page of passport showing name, date of birth, and barcode
- Identity/biographical page of dependents' passports showing name, date of birth, and barcode (if applicable)
- English Language Proficiency Documentation (select one)
See [BIO website](#) for detailed information (not required for extension cases)
 - Copy of a recognized English language test (TOEFL or IELTS)
 - Signed documentation from an academic institution or English language school, [see template](#)
 - Signed documentation of an interview conducted by the faculty sponsor or UC Berkeley host department designee, [see template](#)
- Curriculum Vitae/Resume (not required if already uploaded in ISD for prior case)
- Proof of legal permanent residence
If different from citizenship, must be translated into English. See LPR resource for more information.
- Proof of funding [see guidelines](#)
 - Converted to US dollars, in English, dated within last 6 months for each source listed.
 - If paid by UC Berkeley, include copy of appointment letter or VSPA stipend email approval, if applicable
- All Previous DS-2019s (of scholar and dependents)
If scholar has been in J status before, upload all previous DS-2019 copies
- Appropriate Campus Approval
 - Appointment letter signed by the Dean
 - VSPA approval
- [J-1 Host Faculty Agreement](#)
- [J-1 Services Fee Payment](#) (select one; dated within past 2 months)
 - \$650 Initial IOF (signed) for New, Transfer or Change of Status Requests only
 - \$400 Extension IOF (signed) for extension requests only J-1
- Expedite fee (if applicable)
 - \$300 IOF (signed) for Expedite Requests only. Add reason for expedite in Notes tab.
- ❖ Add a note in ISD
Include the type of request, confirmed scholar email address for DocuSign transmission, and HR Partner/Generalist contact info, if applicable, in the Notes tab.
- ❖ Submit to Berkeley International Office after all information and documents are uploaded

Extension of Program Request

If the scholar is already in J-1 status at UC Berkeley, include photocopies of the following:

- Required items for all requests** (see left column) Please note English Language Proficiency not required for extensions
- [Electronic I-94 record](#) or copy of the paper I-94 (front & back) for scholar and dependents
- Visa stamps for scholar and dependents
- All current and previous DS-2019 documents for scholar and dependents
- [Health Insurance Agreement](#) signed by scholar
- ❖ Enter Local U.S. Address, Phone & Email (Spouse's email if applicable)
- ❖ Complete and update all fields in "Passport and Visa" tab

Change of Status Request

For scholars in the U.S. who will change status to J-1, a consultation with a Berkeley International Office Scholar Advisor is required at least six months prior to their start date.

If the scholar has already met with a Berkeley International Office Advisor, indicate the name of Advisor in a note. Include photocopies of the following:

- Required items for all requests** (see left column)
- [Electronic I-94 record](#) or copy of the paper I-94 (front & back) for scholar and dependents
- Visa stamps for scholar and dependents
- All current and previous I-20s for F-1 and dependents, if applicable
- Employment Authorization Document (EAD), if applicable
- ❖ Enter Local U.S. Address, Phone & Email (Spouse's email if applicable)
- ❖ Complete and update all fields in "Passport and Visa" tab

Transfer of Program Request

If the scholar is in J-1 status at another U.S. institution and is transferring to UC Berkeley, include copies of the following:

- Required items for all requests** (see left column)
- [Electronic I-94 record](#) or copy of the paper I-94 (front & back) for scholar and dependents
- Visa stamps for scholar and dependents
- All current and previous DS-2019 documents for scholar and dependents
- [Health Insurance Agreement](#) signed by scholar
- ❖ Enter Local U.S. Address, Phone & Email (Spouse's email if applicable)
- ❖ Complete "Current U.S. Institution" tab with International Adviser contact information
- ❖ Complete all fields in "Passport and Visa" tab