

# 2025-26 CERTIFICATE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

## For Visiting International Students

The US Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) requires that international students applying to study in the United States provide proof of funding adequate to cover their academic and personal expenses during their stay. Funding may come from a variety of sources, including personal, family and institutional sponsorship (such as scholarships), but documentation must be provided for each source. Please complete the following and supply the appropriate signatures. Dollar amounts indicated are estimations of actual costs.

### STUDENT INFORMATION

Name (as it appears on Passport) \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Institution/Country \_\_\_\_\_  
Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_  
Country of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

### A: PROJECTED NEEDS PER SEMESTER (i.e., double for academic year study):

**\*\*All amounts should be listed in US dollars\*\***

**TUITION & FEES (includes activities, registration and technology fees):** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Exchange students enter \$0.

Sister-state institutions enter \$5580 (Graduate students: \$5694).

All other students enter out-of-state tuition: \$11,160 (Graduate students: \$11,388).

**ROOM & BOARD (reflects campus housing & optional All-Access meal plan):** + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Most Exchange/sister-state students enter \$5360

Students from Carlow College Saint Patrick's enter \$1992.

Students from Caen-Basse Normandie enter \$0.

**BOOKS/SUPPLIES (estimated):** + \$ 1198

**TRAVEL & MISCELLANEOUS SPENDING MONEY (estimated):** + \$ 3532

**TOTAL PROJECTED NEEDS PER SEMESTER (total Section A):** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

[Exchange Students: \$10,090 (Caen-Basse Normandie: \$4,730; Carlow: \$6,722). Sister-state students: \$15,670.

All other undergrad students: \$21,250 Graduate sister-state students: \$15,784. All other graduate students: \$21,478.]

**B: FINANCIAL SUPPORT:** For each funding source listed below, complete the "Guarantee" and "Bank Confirmation" (attached), or enclose a letter from the appropriate financial institution attesting funds exist. **All amounts should be listed in US dollars.**

1. **PERSONAL FUNDS** (Note that stocks, bonds, mutual funds, personal property or other non-liquid assets cannot be applied.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2. **FAMILY FUNDS** (provided by parents or other family): + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3. **OTHER SPONSORS** (for instance, funds from friends, your home university or other institutions. Include documentation from each institution attesting to the existence of funds.) + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL SUPPORT PER SEMESTER Total Section B:** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**(Amount in Section B must exceed Total Projected Needs in Section A)**

# Letter of Guarantee: Personal or Family Funding

This is to certify that I, \_\_\_\_\_ will guarantee funding for  
(self, parent, sponsor –please print full name)

\_\_\_\_\_ for each semester of his/her study at Francis Marion  
(name of student)

University. I recognize that the total anticipated costs FMU for each semester are \_\_\_\_\_.

Of this amount, I personally guarantee \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
(amount in US dollars.)

Signature of Guarantor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Below is a statement from my financial institution attesting to my ability to assume this  
financial responsibility. Or:

\_\_\_\_\_ Attached is a letter from my financial institution providing the information below.

## Bank/Financial Institution Confirmation

Name and address of bank/financial institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I/we herewith attest that at the close of business on \_\_\_\_\_ the account  
(date: month/day/year)

held at this bank by the guarantor named above contained a balance sufficient to support the

above guarantee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. This account was opened on \_\_\_\_\_  
(amount in US dollars.) (date: month/year)

This confirmation in no way obligates our institution to provide support for the student named above.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Bank seal or stamp:

*This form has been developed for the purpose of financial certification at Francis Marion University only; the US Embassy or Consulate in the student's home country may request further documentation. Please return this **original** form to the Office of Admissions, Francis Marion University, PO Box 100547, Florence, SC 29502, USA.*