Funding Documentation Accepted for Fulbright Visa Sponsorship

This document provides guidance for interpreting funding documents and evaluating their acceptability.

Acceptable Funding Documentation for J-1:

1) **Official personal bank statement** — must be recent (dated within the past 90 days) and state grantee or guarantor name (can include checking, savings, or short-term Certificates of Deposit); screenshots acceptable if current (date displayed, grantee/guarantor name identified, and web address visible).

2) **University funding** — printed on university letterhead, should state the dollar value of the funding, dates the funding covers, purpose of the funding (e.g. additional stipend, research materials, research assistants), any work requirements (e.g. co-teaching a course) and any conditions related to the funding.

3) **Family/personal support** — (a) signed letter from family member must confirm the dollar amount to be provided for the period requested, your relationship, and the purpose of the funding (e.g. living expenses, child support, etc.), along with (b) a copy of the family member’s official bank statement (see point one for requirements). Note, guarantor letter is needed in all cases when funding is provided from an account holder other than the J-1, including the J-2.

4) **Private funding** (e.g., private, foundation, home country government) — printed on institution’s letterhead, should state the dollar value of the award, dates the award covers, funding/award type; note: if award is multiple-year award, a confirmation the amount disbursed during your Fulbright grant is required.

5) **J-1 or J-2 home country employment salary** — signed letter on printed on home-country employer’s letterhead stating your name, salary, dates of payments, and confirm the dates of approved leave.

Acceptable Funding Documentation for J-2:

1) **Official J-1 personal bank statement** — must be recent (dated within the past 90 days) and state grantee name (can include checking, savings, or short-term Certificates of Deposit); screenshots acceptable if current, grantee name identified, and web address visible.

2) **Family/personal support** — (a) signed letter from family member must confirm the dollar amount to be provided for the period requested, your relationship, and the purpose of the funding (e.g. living expenses, children’s tuition, etc.), along with (b) a copy of the family member’s official bank statement (dated within the past 90 days and included with the family member’s name). Note, guarantor letter is needed in all cases when funding is provided from an account holder other than the J-1, including the J-2.

3) **J-1 or J-2 Home country employment salary** — signed letter on printed on home-country employer’s letterhead stating your name, salary, dates of payments, and conditions of employment (e.g., leave approved through specified date with percentage of salary paid).

NOT ACCEPTABLE for J-1 or J-2:

1) Non-liquid assets such as stocks/bonds/real estate
2) Paystubs from J-1 or guarantor
3) Home country rental lease/income
4) J-2 bank statement without guarantor letter