Current Funding Minimums for J-1 Scholars

$2,000/month for each J-1 Exchange Visitor  
$800/month for the first J-2 dependent (child or spouse)  
$400/month for each additional J-2 dependent (child or spouse)

Funding coming from UNC CH is documented in the letter of invitation and does not require additional documentation. However, ISSS must be notified if the UNC funding is from a U.S. Government source specifically allocated for international educational exchange. Non-UNC funding sources must be accompanied by recent (within the past 6 months) documentation on the organization’s letterhead, clearly indicating the amount of funding the scholar will receive for their program activities at UNC. Personal funds, such as bank statements, must also be recent, include the scholar’s name, and represent liquid assets. All funding documents must be in English or accompanied by an accurate translation into English. When issuing the DS-2019 form, ISSS advisors, serving as the Alternative/Responsible Officers, must sign a statement attesting that UNC CH, as the J-1 program sponsor, has verified, in accordance with the requirements of 22 CFR 62.12(b), that each prospective exchange visitor: (i) is eligible and qualified for, and accepted into, the program in which he or she will participate; (ii) possesses adequate financial resources to participate in and complete his or her exchange visitor program; and (iii) possesses adequate financial resources to support an accompanying spouse and dependents, if any. Minimum funds must be verified for the entire program activity period.