



International Student and Scholar Services

Checklist: Application for an Exchange Visitor (J-1) visa at a U.S. Consulate

Welcome to Florida Atlantic University (FAU). You should have received your DS-2019/s from FAU. If you have not, please contact us immediately. You will need to sign and date the DS-2019 (s) as indicated on the form. The DS-2019 (s) is required in order to obtain your J1/J2 visa (s) from the US Consulate in your home country.

The checklist below lists the following documents you will need to take to the US consular office to apply for a J visa. Please take note that each consular post is different, and it is advisable to contact the office to determine exactly what is required.

▪ Form DS-2019, issued in SEVIS and signed by RO/ARO at item 7, and signed and dated by exchange visitor at the bottom of the form
▪ Documentation proving financial ability to meet expenses – Bank statement, bank letter or letter from sponsoring organization
▪ Evidence of English ability sufficient for exchange program
▪ Evidence of residence abroad and intent to depart the U.S. after the completion of program
▪ Valid passport
▪ Form DS-156, “Non-immigrant Visa Application
▪ Form DS-157 if required
▪ Form DS-158
▪ Photographs
▪ Visa Application Fee
▪ Any other fees that maybe applicable