Towson University Financial Verification Documentation

- The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) requires U.S. colleges and universities to obtain original certification of an international student's financial resources in order to issue the Form I-20. The Form I-20 is the Certificate of Eligibility for Non-Immigrant (F-1) Student Status. Applicants must demonstrate that they have enough funds to afford all expenses for at least their first year of study. The statement below must be completed and endorsed by the student's financial sponsor(s) and submitted with evidence of the sponsor's financial ability to the International Student & Scholar Office.
- The student should **keep a photocopy** of this completed form, because evidence of sponsor's willingness to support the student will also need to be shown to a U.S. Consular Officer at the time of application for an F-1 visa.
- The student can sponsor him/herself.
- There may be more than one financial sponsor or source of funding. In that case, a Statement of Willingness must be submitted by each of the student's sponsors.
- A letter may be submitted instead of this form if it contains identical information.
- The financial documents must be current (issued within the last 6 months) proof of liquid funds (i.e. no unsecured loans, stocks, property, salary statement, etc.). You may submit an electronic copy of these documents, but the ISSO retains the right to request originals under any and all circumstances.
- For information regarding the specific amount that must be shown on your financial documents, please refer to the ISSO Expenses & Financial Aid Website (http://www.towson.edu/isso/finances.asp).

WILLINGNESS STATEMENT $\mathbf{O} \mathbf{F}$ This is certification to Towson University that Mr./Ms. (circle Mr. or Ms.) name of sponsor/institution/agency is/are willing to be the financial sponsor for who is my/our name of prospective student in the amount of \$US for tuition/fees, accommodation, meals, books and study supplies, health insurance, transportation, and other living and personal expenses during each year of the above-named student's stay in the United States for his/her studies at Towson University. Attached is verification that \$US is currently available for the student's first year of study. Sworn by: Signature of Sponsor or Official Representing a Sponsoring Agency Date Signed: Month/Day/Year PRINTED Name of Sponsor or Official Signing Above Telephone No. with International Country & City Codes Sponsor's Mailing Address:

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