

F-2 DEPENDENT VISA DOCUMENT APPLICATION

Student Information

Name _____

SS# OR Samford ID# _____

Current Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone (home) _____ (office) _____

E-mail _____

Month/Year entered U.S. _____

Check One: F-1 J-1

Status at Samford University: Undergraduate Graduate

Only your spouse and/or children may enter as dependents on your I-20 or DS-2019. Before the University will issue a visa document for dependents, you must show that you have sufficient financial resources to cover your dependents' expenses for their entire length of stay. You will also be required to provide medical insurance for these dependents.

Dependent Information

Spouse's Name (circle family name) _____

Month/Day/Year of Birth _____ Gender: Male Female

City/Country of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Spouse Expected Date of Arrival _____ month _____ day _____ year

Child's Name (circle family name) _____

Month/Day/Year of Birth _____ Gender: Male Female

City/Country of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Child's Name (circle family name) _____

Month/Day/Year of Birth _____ Gender: Male Female

City/Country of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Child's Name (circle family name) _____

Month/Day/Year of Birth _____ Gender: Male Female

City/Country of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Financial Support: You must provide proof of financial support in the amount of \$3500/year for the first dependent and \$2500/year for each additional dependent. This support must be guaranteed for your entire length of study at Samford University. You must produce up-to-date support documents, which will be reviewed to determine if there are sufficient funds available to issue the I-20 or DS-2019. If you have a graduate assistantship, a current letter from the department that reflects the amount of your stipend is required. If you are supported by personal funds, a bank statement reporting both the current balance and average balance for the last year is required.

*Note: if you are being supported by private or family funds, it will be assumed that the funds are designated to cover your expenses as well as those of your dependents, not just the supplemental amount required for dependents. If you have a private sponsor, he/she must sign an affidavit that he/she agrees to guarantee the support for dependents as well.

Who will provide the funds to cover the expenses of your dependents?

Please provide name, address, and relationship:

How much per year will be provided? _____

For how long will this support be provided? _____

*We must have documentation on file that supports this information.

Health Insurance: All dependents of F-1 and J-1 visa holders must have continuous health insurance coverage.

How will you provide this coverage? _____

Employment: Dependents of F-1 students are given F-2 visas. F-2's may not work for compensation while in the U. S. J-1 dependents can receive work authorization with their J-2 visas, but this employment cannot be used to meet the requirements for financial support needed for obtaining the visa. Please do not bring dependents to the U.S. with the impression that they may work as a means of support.

Adjustment: It is normal that your dependents endure a period of cultural adjustment similar to what you experienced when you arrived in the U.S. If your dependents do not speak English, the transition will be even more of a challenge for them. Please visit the Global Engagement Office with your questions and/or concerns, as we are always available to assist you and your family with any difficulties you may face.

School-age children: All children between the ages of 6 and 18 must attend school. Please bring all health and academic records for your school-age children in order to facilitate their enrollment in school.

In filing this application for dependents to travel to the United States under the visa sponsorship of Samford University, I agree that I have read and fully understand my responsibilities as outlined above, and ensure that each requirement will be met. I understand that my dependents are required to visit the Global Engagement Office within 5 days their arrival in Birmingham to present their visa documents and proof of medical insurance. I further agree to notify the Global Engagement Office should my dependents depart before my stay in the U.S. expires.

Signature _____ Date _____