

FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT

This affidavit is the student and/or sponsor's agreement that he/she will be responsible for the following expenses while the student is attending Florida SouthWestern State College. International students are not permitted to earn wages while in the United States without prior approval from the USCIS and recommendation from the Designated School Official (DSO). Tuition fees are subject to change, if approved by the Florida State Legislature. The student/sponsor will be invoiced for the fee increases, if applicable. Fees are payable at the time of registration each term.

Please Note: All documents must reflect the current exchange rate in American dollars. The affidavit cannot be more than **6 months** old from the intending semester start date.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: DETERMINE YOUR ESTIMATED EXPENSES.

Estimated Expenses (12 months)	Lower level courses	AA / AS Degree Courses	Upper level courses	BAS / BS (After AA or AS completion)
Tuition per credit hour Fall & Spring (additional fees may apply)	\$432.63 per credit x 24 credits	10,383.12	\$795.34 per credit x 24 credits	19,088.16
Books, Supplies, Lab and other fees		1,650.00		1,650.00
Health Insurance (12 months)		1,200.00		1,200.00
Living and personal expenses (12 months)				
Personal Expenses ¹		1,820.00		1,820.00
Transportation		2,815.00		2,815.00
Room/Board living with sponsor		2,581.00		2,581.00
Room/Board living on own		9,927.00		9,927.00
If living with sponsor & provided appropriate documentation²:	Total	\$20,449.12 or more		\$29,154.16
If living on own:	Total ➡	\$27,795.12 or more		\$36,500.16 or more

Note: The chart above reflects annual estimates and serves as a basis to ensure the student and/or sponsor has the necessary funds to study at Florida SouthWestern State College. Actual expenses may vary.

¹ If an F-1 Visa student includes a spouse and/or dependent child/children under the age of 21 years (F-2 Visa), an additional fee of \$5,000 for spouse and \$3,000 for each child must be added to the **total** amount.

² If the student will be living with a sponsor, a notarized statement from the sponsor must be submitted documenting the address where the student will reside while in the U.S. Additionally, the sponsor should note that room and board will be provided for the student at no cost. An identification document for the sponsor should also be included with the notarized statement.

FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT INSTRUCTIONS

Student Information

- The Student Information section must be completed in its entirety.
- If you will not have any dependents applying for an F-2 visa under your sponsorship, please leave the dependent information area blank.

Financial Certification

- The Financial Certification sections must be completed in its entirety.
- The Student, Sponsor and Bank official signatures must be handwritten. Electronic signatures cannot be accepted.
- For multiple sponsors/accounts, please complete and attach additional financial certifications.
- If the bank section of the form is not completed, or if you have an additional funding source, attach a supplemental funding document. Examples include:
 - Copy of bank statement
 - Scholarship letter
 - Government funding support letter

All supplemental funding documents must meet the requirements listed below. Most United States Consulates or Embassies will require original copies of all financial documents, including bank statements, when you apply for an F-1 visa.

WHAT IS REQUIRED?

Bank Statement

If the Bank Certification is not completed by the bank, you can submit an original bank statement and/or a bank letter.

The bank statement and/or bank letter must have all of the requirements listed below:

- The bank statement or bank letter must be on the institution letterhead.
- The account holder's name. The name must be written in English. The name must match the sponsor's name in the FSW Financial affidavit.
- The last four digits of the account number (if applicable).
- The type of account. The account must verify liquid assets. The type of accounts that most commonly indicate liquid assets are: checking, savings, or deposit accounts.*
- The balance at the time of issuance.
- The date of issuance. The document cannot be used for the I-20 if at the time of evaluation more than 6 months have passed from the date the document was issued.

***Note:** The following types of funds cannot be used for I-20 purposes: retirement accounts, property statements, investment accounts, stocks and accounts on which funds cannot be easily withdrawn, chartered accountant statements, solvency or financial capability certificates, life insurance statements, and salary statements.

Scholarship Letter

- The letter must be submitted to the Office of Admissions, along with the FSW financial affidavit form.
- Must include the student's full name, description of the award and the amount, and effective time period.
- Must be signed by the institution representative(s) on official letterhead with contact information.

STUDENT INFORMATION: ALL THE FIELDS IN THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED

Student name (PRINT): _____ Date of Birth: _____

If your spouse or children will request an F-2 visa to come to the U.S. under your sponsorship, fill out their information below.

Relationship(circle applicable dependent)	Family Name	Given Name	Date of Birth	Country of Birth
Wife or husband				
Son or daughter				
Son or daughter				
Son or daughter				

SUBMITTING THE FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT

- ATTACH a copy of your passport to this form. Also attach supplemental funding documents if applicable.
- SUBMIT THIS FORM AND SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS to Florida Southwestern State College in person, by postal mail, or e-mail.
- **In person:** Submit to the Office of Admissions at Florida SouthWestern State College. Contact internationalstudent@fsw.edu to schedule an appointment.
- **By mail:**

Florida SouthWestern State College
ATTN: Office of Admissions
8099 College Parkway, Bldg. S-117
Fort Myers, FL 33919
- **By e-mail:** Please send documents to internationalstudent@fsw.edu

Please Note: Upon arrival to the U.S. and/or before you start classes, you **must** bring in the original financial affidavit and supporting documents to the Office of Admissions. Failure to provide original documents could jeopardize your enrollment and subsequent F-1 visa status.

If any of the required documents are submitted incomplete, it will delay the processing of your I-20.

FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT FORM

STUDENT CERTIFICATION: All the fields in this section must be completed.

<p>I certify the amount of funds indicated in the (name of the bank) _____ certification section on this form are available for my academic study at Florida SouthWestern State College; I have sufficient funding to support each year of my education at FSW, including funds for my spouse and children if applicable; all of the information provided on this form is correct and complete; I will notify Florida SouthWestern State College of any change in my financial circumstances.</p>	
<p>Student Name(PRINT): _____</p>	<p>Date of Birth: _____</p>
<p>Student Signature: _____</p>	<p>Date: _____</p>

SPONSOR CERTIFICATION: If the bank funds are not in the student’s name, this section is required and all fields must be completed.

The affidavit below must be completed by the Sponsor and must match the name of the account holder provided in the Bank Letter. This affidavit must be signed in the presence of a notarizing official. Documents can be notarized at most U.S. Consulates and Embassies. **If you have more than one sponsor or account, attach an additional, fully filled out financial certification page of this form.**

<p>Please indicate your relationship to the student: [] Father, [] Mother, [] Brother, [] Sister, [] Other:</p>	
<p>I hereby certify that I, _____, will be responsible for the educational and/or living expenses of _____ each year while he/she is attending Florida Southwestern State College. I also certify the total amount of money I have available for educational expenses at Florida Southwestern State College is U.S. \$_____. I authorize the release of my supporting financial documents to verify the promised financial resources are immediately available to me and the student. I swear and affirm my knowledge and understanding that the contents of this affidavit are true and correct.</p>	
<p>Signature of Sponsor: _____</p> <p>Signature of Notarizing Official: _____</p> <p>Date Signed and Notarized: _____</p>	<p>Seal of notarizing official</p>
<p>Notary: Sworn and subscribed before me this ___ day of ___ month) in the year ____</p>	

BANK CERTIFICATION: All fields in this section must be completed.

<p>I certify that the student or the sponsor named on this form has full access to the funds described in this section. I certify the funds described in this section can be withdrawn at any time, are liquid, and can be used without restriction to sponsor the education of the student named above while in the United States. This certification is given for the student’s educational purpose in the United States and does not hold the bank responsible or liable.</p>	
<p>Name of Bank: _____</p> <p>Address of Bank: _____</p> <p>Name of Account Holder: _____</p> <p>Last Four Digits on the account(s): _____</p> <p>Type of Account _____</p> <p>Amount available in US Dollars: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Bank official’s name (PRINT): _____ Title: _____</p> <p>Bank official’s signature: _____ Date: _____</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Official bank stamp or seal</p> </div>

Note: Please attach a current copy of a bank statement to the Financial Affidavit.