

J-1 Certification of English Language Proficiency

The Department of State requires that Missouri State University, as a designated sponsor, provide verification of English language proficiency for all J-1 Exchange Visitor Program participants. This includes participants in all J-1 categories offered at Missouri State University: Research Scholar, Professor, Short-term Scholar, Specialist, and Student.

MSU host departments and scholar supervisors must complete the form below if the incoming scholar does not have current scores from a recognized language exam (e.g., IELTS, TOEFL, Duolingo). The information on this form will be used to process Form DS-2019, and International Services must retain this form in the event of a Department of State audit.

Scholar's Name:

I confirm that the invited scholar's English language skills are sufficient to function on a day-to-day basis in the environment that is required to complete their program based on the following criteria (check all that apply):

Documentation from an academic institution or English language school
In-person interview
Videoconferencing (Skype, Zoom, Tencent Meeting, etc.)
Telephone interview
Transfer/Repeat visitor (proficiency established in previous J-1 stay)
Other (please specify):

MSU Supervisor Signature:

MSU Supervisor Printed Name:

Date: