

Financial Declaration International Graduate Students in Music

Under U.S. law, the university must obtain certain information, including evidence of adequate financial resources, before issuing an I-20 form (for a student F-1 visa) or a DS-2019 (for an exchange visitor J-1 visa). Please complete this form and return it with the requested documentation when accepting Rice's offer of admission. Keep copies of all financial documents submitted, as you will need to present them to the U.S. consulate/embassy when obtaining a visa and possibly to US immigration inspectors upon arrival to the U.S.

PERSONAL DATA (please attach copy of passport ID page as supporting documentation):

Name _____
Family First Middle

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____
Month/Day/Year City Country

Country of citizenship _____ Country of legal permanent residence _____

Present occupation _____ Name of school or business _____

Email Address _____ Coming to the U.S. Alone With spouse With children

Important Note: If you will be accompanied by dependents, please complete **Dependent Data** on page 2.

IMMIGRATION DATA

Type of visa desired: F-1 Student Visa J-1 Exchange Visitor Visa Other, currently in _____ visa status

Have you been enrolled previously in an educational institution in the U.S.? Yes No

Institution _____ Degree _____

Date entered _____ Still in U.S.? Yes No Date departed _____

If still in US and on an F-1 visa, are you currently engaging in OPT (Optional Practical Training)? Yes No

Estimate of expenses for one year at Rice, 2017-2018:

Tuition & Fees	\$28,553
Books and supplies	\$1200
Room and board	\$14,500
Transportation	\$800
Health insurance	\$2,575*
Personal	\$1,550
TOTAL	\$49,178 **

NOTE: All expenses are estimates and are subject to change, based on policy changes and cost of living increases. Students are required to provide evidence of funding for the first year at Rice.

** Please estimate an additional \$2000 for summer expenses and an additional \$4000/dependent joining you.

FINANCIAL DATA (please attach copies of supporting documentation)

SOURCES OF FUNDING	FUNDING AMOUNT
Rice Scholarship or Fellowship - attach letter of award	\$
Personal Funds –attach official bank statement(s)	\$
Family Funds – attach bank statement(s) and signed letter of support from family member that includes the sponsor's relationship to you (parent, brother, uncle, etc.)	\$
Personal Sponsor – attach bank statement(s) and signed letter of support from sponsor that includes the sponsor's relationship to you (family friend, employer, etc.)	\$
Other Source(s) – please specify source and attach proof of support	\$
	\$
	\$
TOTAL (must equal or exceed anticipated expenses indicated above)	\$

I certify that the above information is correct, and I am supplying supporting documentation required by U.S. Immigration regulations in order to obtain an entry document. I understand that tuition, fees, and health insurance must be paid prior to registration at Rice University and that Rice cannot be held responsible for unforeseen difficulties that alter my financial situation.

Signature

Date



Guidance on Summer Music Activities for F-1 Students

Office of International Students & Scholars

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This handout provides immigration compliance guidance regarding summer activities prior to arrival on campus, yet while a student is already on Rice-sponsored F-1 visa status. Failure to comply with immigration regulations, including proper work authorization, can result in a termination of your F-1 visa status that would require an immediate departure from the U.S. Therefore, OISS wants to ensure students are aware of regulations affecting their status.

Many activities that take place off campus (paid or unpaid) require work authorization (CPT – Curricular Practical Training or OPT – Optional Practical Training*).

Examples include:

Activity	Authorization Required	Comments
Gigs	Yes	Requires work authorization – see OISS advisor for more information
Giving Lessons	Yes	Requires work authorization – see OISS advisor for more information
Performances	Yes	Requires work authorization – see OISS advisor for more information
Accompaniments	Yes	Requires work authorization – see OISS advisor for more information
Scholarships	No*	Funding, monetary or in-kind (housing/food), does not typically require additional authorization, unless there are work contingencies for the scholarship
Resident Associate at a music festival	Yes	Requires work authorization – see OISS advisor for more information
Music festival participation	Maybe	Requires consultation with an OISS advisor to discuss all variables that may affect immigration status

To ensure immigration compliance, please contact an OISS advisor in advance to discuss summer activity plans. An OISS advisor can offer guidance on all options available to you, including:

- Immigration benefits available to F-1 transfer students *prior* to transferring their record to Rice (e.g. OPT).
- Immigration benefits of being on a festival’s visa program sponsorship (F-1 or M-1).
- Immigration compliant options for summer activities while on Rice F-1 status (Non-employment scholarships).

If you have any questions, please contact OISS at any time at: 713-348-6095 or oiss@rice.edu.

**Please note that any practical training work authorization has a prerequisite of one-year in F-1 status (e.g. CPT or OPT).*

To be completed by Student

Printed Name: _____

Visa Type: _____

Statement of Understanding (please initial next to each statement)

_____ I have read and understand the information above regarding Summer Music Activities.

_____ I can confirm that my summer plans are purely recreational in nature and therefore would not adversely affect my immigration status.

_____ If my plans change, I will notify my Rice DSO immediately and prior to participating in any activities that may require work authorization.

Signature: _____

Date: _____