



OFFICE OF RESEARCH SUPPORT
AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

**GUIDE TO
SPONSOR'S AFFIDAVIT OF ANNUAL CASH SUPPORT**

What does affidavit mean?

By completing this affidavit, you (sponsor) are sworn to the United States government that you will support with a specific amount of money from your own financial resources for **each year** of the student's studies and residence at Gallaudet University in the United States of America. Please note that you also must attach a document with proof to show that you are sworn to support that student every year.

By signing the affidavit, you are making a financial commitment to the student that you must not break. Sponsors who fail to provide the sworn support will force students to leave school. Do not expect that the student will be able to help support the costs through employment. Employment is strictly controlled by the Immigration Service and very limited.

How to complete the enclosed Sponsor's Affidavit of Annual Cash Support Form:

- Fill out the affidavit form in ENGLISH!
- Promise to give only as much money as you can afford. ***The most common reason we reject affidavits is we do not believe a sponsor can pay the amount of money as promised.***
- Attach proof of financial capability document(s) as explained below.
- Sign the affidavit in front of your country's notary public or appropriate official.

Proof of Financial Capability Documents:

You must prove that you are financially capable to support EACH YEAR of your student's studies by attaching a proof of income document and a bank statement. (If one of these documents is not attached, your support will not be considered).

- **Proof of Income Document.** This must be on your employer's business stationery, on income tax returns or receipts, or estimates by a bank with a private account if you are self-employed. The income of your company will not be accepted as proof of income. You must provide an official statement of the salary paid to you or it must be on your tax returns.
- **Bank Statement** must be in your name and your statement must state the following information: date when your account was opened, current balance in U.S. dollars or its equivalent, average deposits and average balances. We cannot accept statements that do not specify balances unless it is stated to be a minimum of USD 100,000. If another person's name appears on your bank statement, that person must complete a separate affidavit or submit a notarized statement permitting those funds to be considered as financial support for the student.

Documents must be:

- Current (less than two months old),
- In English
- Notarized

Return the completed form and support documents to:

Gallaudet University
Office of Research Support and International Affairs
International Student and Scholar Services
800 Florida Avenue NE, Dawes House
Washington, DC 20002-3695
USA

Attn: Mona Blanchette McCubbin



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**Sponsor's Affidavit of Annual Cash Support
Academic Year 2016 - 2017 (August 2016-May 2017)**

THIS IS MY SWORN PROMISE OF CASH SUPPORT

I, _____, promise that I can and will give no less My Name than U.S.\$ _____ in cash <u>FOR EVERY YEAR</u> of the student's program of study at Gallaudet University to: _____ Full Name of Student

My relationship to the student is _____
Father, Mother, Spouse, Brother/Sister, Friend

My address is _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

The following persons are fully or partially dependent upon me for their support. (Do not include the student named above).

Name	Relationship to me	Age
_____	_____	_____

Name of My Employer _____

Annual Salary _____ (USD) Other Income _____ (USD)

My proof of income document and bank statement are attached: Yes ☐ No ☐

A stylized illustration of a notary seal, showing a circular base with a raised, curved top, and a small rectangular stamp on the side.	I swear that information I have provided above is true and correct.
	_____ Signature of Sponsor
	sworn and subscribed before me this day: _____
	_____ Signature of Notary