The priority deadline for Need-Based Academic Funding Application for the spring 2016 semester is January 11, 2016. The final deadline for spring 2016 application is January 29, 2016. If your financial circumstances changed and you file your application after this date, please note that we will accept and process requests for assistance until our funds are exhausted, if funds are still available after the final deadline.

Please read the instructions and complete this application carefully and thoroughly. An international student who is enrolled at the University of Minnesota but holds a visa status other than F-1 or J-1 student category is not eligible to apply for and/or receive ISSS International Student Funding. This applies to, but is not limited to, the following: J-1 research scholar, H-1, H-4, F-2, J-2, A-1, L-2, TN/TD; students who hold dual citizenship of the U.S. and another country; students on F-1/J-1 student visas whose spouse or parent holds an H-1 visa, permanent residency, or is a U.S. citizen; students applying for a change of status to F-1/J-1 student; students who are in the process of adjusting their status to permanent residency or changing their status from F-1/J-1 to any other nonimmigrant visa.

Be sure to submit the following additional documentation together with this application in person to the International Student Funding Counselor. If you do not submit this information, your application will not be considered complete:

- Essay explaining change in financial situation
- Photocopy of most recent visa stamp used to enter the U.S.
- If you applied for a U.S. entry visa stamp or a change of status within the past 24 months, please submit copies of all financial documents submitted with application for U.S. visa stamp or submitted to immigration services with an application for change of status
- Copies of all W-2 forms if you worked in the U.S. in 2014 and 2015, if available
- Copies of monthly bank statements for the past 12 months of all accounts (including savings and investment)
- If married, please submit a photocopy of your spouse’s most recent visa stamp and supporting document (e.g. I-20, DS-2019)
- copies of spouse’s W-2 form/s for all jobs in 2014/2015
- Records to explain your circumstance, including any medical bills, employment records, or economic documents to further explain your situation
- Note to Students on J-1 visas: If your DS-2019 was not issued by ISSS, you must submit a copy of your most recent DS-2019 form with this application.
Eligibility Criteria:
Meeting these criteria does not guarantee that you will receive ISSS funding. International students on F-1 or J-1 student visas may apply for ISSS funding under the following conditions only:

- You must be able to document that the financial support stated on your visa document/s changed unexpectedly and due to circumstances beyond your control
- You must be admitted to and enrolled full-time in a degree program at the U of MN
- In order to be considered for funding, your cumulative GPA must be at least 2.5 for undergraduates, at least 3.0 for students in graduate or professional school programs. While receiving International Student Funding from ISSS, students must successfully complete their courses and maintain a semester and cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 for undergraduates or 3.0 for graduate or professional school students.
- You must be in legal F-1 or J-1 student status
- You must have held F-1/J-1 student status at the U of MN-Twin Cities for at least 12 months. Students pursuing a Bachelor or Doctoral program at the U of MN must have held legal F-1/J-1 student status for at least 2 academic years.
- While receiving International Student Funding, you must register for credits and grades on an A/F or S/N grading basis. Before you enroll for Independent/Distance Learning classes, please consult with the International Student Funding Counselor to see if the cost of these classes may be covered through International Student Funding.
- Funding is not renewed automatically. Students in Bachelor or Doctoral programs must reapply by the deadline and meet the eligibility and funding criteria for each semester they seek funding. Receiving International Student Funding for one semester does not guarantee that it will be renewed.
- To be considered for International Student Funding, you must be employed and submit an Employment Verification form. You must remain employed if awarded International Student Funding.
- Priority will be given to persons in their final 2 semesters of study. That means you must complete the program credits for your degree within the next 2 semesters. Funding may be received for one degree program only and one major only during your studies at the University of Minnesota.

Funding Criteria:
- International Student Funding is limited. Priority is given to students whose financial situation has changed due to unforeseen circumstances beyond their control and who can document their financial need. In addition, you need to verify both good academic performance and being close to completing course credit and degree requirements. Consideration will be given based on a commitment to a diverse student population.

You have the right to
- Privacy of information regarding your application
- Discuss your financial concerns with an adviser
- Appeal award decisions

You have a responsibility to
- Submit a complete application and all required materials to ISSS by the designated deadline
- Submit any additional documents that are requested by the International Student Funding Counselor
SECTION 1: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Name ___________________________________________ Last   First   Middle
U of MN ID Number ___________________________ Email Address ___________________________
Country of Citizenship ___________________________ Date of Birth ___________________________ Month/Date/Year
Local Address (P.O. Box/ Department Address not acceptable)

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Phone (home) ___________________________ Phone (work) ___________________________

Visa Status (check one)  ☐ F-1  ☐ J-1 (please indicate J-1 program sponsor and attach copy of most recent DS-2019 if your program sponsor is not UMN):

Number of Hours currently employed per week ____________

Employment History: Please list the dates and names of the organizations/companies/University departments you have been employed with in the past

Dates ___________________________ Employing Department/Organization ___________________________

Dates ___________________________ Employing Department/Organization ___________________________

Have you applied for International Student Funding in the past?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Have you received a UMN graduate assistantship in the past?
☐ Yes (indicate dates) ___________________________ ☐ No

Do you have a graduate assistantship for spring 2016?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

If yes, indicate percentage  ☐ 50%  ☐ 25%

Check here if you are applying for an ISWOP award (graduate students only) ☐

Gender  ☐ Male  ☐ Female
Marital Status  ☐ Single  ☐ Married  ☐ Divorced  ☐ Other __________________

If married, please answer the following questions:

Is your spouse in the U.S.?  ☐ Yes (attach copy of spouse’s most recent I-94 and visa stamp)  ☐ No

If yes, is spouse a student?  ☐ Yes (please indicate institution and attach copy of spouse’s I-20/DS-2019)

☐ No

Does/Did your spouse have an assistantship, staff, or faculty position at the U of MN for 2015-16?  ☐ Yes (attach copy of W-2)  ☐ No

Is your spouse employed?  ☐ Yes (attach copy of all W-2 forms for 2014/2015)  ☐ No

Do you have any children who are in the U.S.?
☐ Yes (indicate number) ___________________________ Were they born in the U.S.?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

☐ No, I do not have any children

☐ My child is/my children are not in the U.S.
SECTION 2A: ACADEMIC INFORMATION

To Student: Please complete Section 2A. Your academic adviser needs to complete Section 2B. Remember to schedule an appointment with your academic adviser and be prepared to provide all information needed by your adviser to facilitate the completion of this form. Please provide the following information as it applies to spring 2016 and fall 2016, unless otherwise specified. Make sure to attach an unofficial transcript with this application.

Academic Standing: ☐ Undergraduate, please specify College ______________________________
☐ Graduate School, please specify Department ______________________________
☐ Professional School, please specify ______________________________

Degree Program admitted to: ☐ Bachelor Degree ☐ Master Degree ☐ Ph.D.

Semester and Year admitted to U of MN: ______________________________

Major admitted to and enrolled in:
1st Major ______________________________ Admitted ______________________________ Semester and Year
2nd Major (if any) ______________________________ Admitted ______________________________ Semester and Year

Semester and Year you first enrolled at the U of MN ______________________________

Semester and Year you expect to graduate ______________________________

Anticipated Registration
Spring 2016 Number of Credits Fall 2016 Number of Credits

Are you planning to enroll for any of these classes through Independent Study and Distance Learning? ☐ Yes, please indicate semester ______________________________ ☐ No

For purposes of confidentiality, I acknowledge that by signing below I am waiving my right to see this form once it is completed by the academic adviser. My signature authorizes my academic adviser/Department Head/DGS to complete Section 2B and return this form to me in a sealed envelope. It also authorizes my adviser to provide information on my academic progress upon request to ISSS at any time.

Date ______________________________ Student Signature ______________________________
To the Academic Adviser/Department Head/DGS: The information on this form assists ISSS in determining the student’s academic eligibility to receive ISSS International Student Funding. The student’s application for International Student Funding will not be processed until this form is completed. The information that you provide below is confidential. Please return the completed form to the student in a sealed envelope. ISSS appreciates your assistance and the time you spend completing this form.

I verify that _______________ is expected to complete all requirements for graduation by the end of _______________. This student is currently pursuing a _______________ in _______________.

As of _______________, s/he needs to enroll for _______________ additional credits to satisfy the degree requirements (please exclude credits currently in progress). The total number of credits required for the degree program is _______________.

Please check any statements that apply:

☒ The student is on academic probation or suspension.
☒ The student is making satisfactory progress toward the completion of the degree requirements.
☒ The student will register for thesis credits in ☒ Spring 2016 ☐ Fall 2016
☒ The student has a close academic working relationship with you.
☒ The student has completed all required coursework and has scheduled preliminary exams for _______________.

You may use this space for any additional comments (not required!):

Academic Adviser Signature ___________________________ Date ______________

Name (please print) ___________________________ Phone __________________

Department or College ___________________________

University Department or College Address Stamp (if available)
SECTION 3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

3A: RESOURCES/ASSETS in U.S. Dollars—These must be documented
(Please write a monetary value or zero (0) in every space)

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3B: MONTHLY LIVING EXPENSES in U.S. Dollars—Please be prepared to document these upon request (list your actual monthly expenses, do not include the cost of tuition, fees and health insurance; write a monetary value or zero (0) in every space)

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**Do you have any siblings or relatives in the U.S.?**

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

**If yes, are any of them U.S. citizens or permanent residents?**

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

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**If your financial support will be less than in the past, please use a separate sheet of paper to explain why. Remember to provide documentation.**

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**CERTIFICATION: Please read carefully before signing**

By signing below, you become responsible for the information on this application:

1. I understand that International Student Funding is given on the basis of financial need and that I must document that such need has arisen due to circumstances that were unforeseen and beyond my control.
2. I am a bona fide non-immigrant visa holder in valid F-1 or J-1 student status and have held that status at the U of MN for at least one year. I have been admitted to and am enrolled in a degree program at the U of MN. I am not a dual citizen of the U.S. and another country, my spouse or parent does not hold an H-1 visa, permanent residency, or U.S. citizenship; I am not applying for a change of status to F-1/J-1 student; I am not changing my status from F-1/J-1 to any other nonimmigrant visa; I am not in the process of applying for permanent residency during the academic year 2015-2016, nor have I applied for it in the past.
3. The information and the additional documents I provide with this application are true, accurate and consistent with all other documentation I have provided to ISSS. The attached monthly bank statements represent all financial accounts, including savings accounts, checking accounts, mutual funds, certificates of deposits, but not limited to the above, that I have opened in my name or that contain assets to which I have had access for my support in the U.S. during the last 12 months. I understand that if it is discovered that I have given false or misleading information on my International Student Funding application, the accompanying materials, or documents in my ISSS file, my aid and/or request for aid will be immediately revoked or denied and I will become ineligible to apply for International Student Funding in the future. In addition, legal and/or disciplinary action may follow.
4. I understand that any travel abroad may affect my eligibility to receive International Student Funding. Immigration regulations require me to be able to document that I have sufficient funds when I reenter the U.S. If I demonstrate sufficient funds to the U.S. government, I will give up my claim to International Student Funding that I have been awarded or may be awarded during the spring 2016. I also understand that prior to making a decision about temporarily leaving the U.S. I may discuss the impact on my financial status with the International Student Funding Counselor.
5. I understand that my award may be revised if I am found ineligible or if the award was the result of an error.
6. I will notify the International Student Funding Counselor immediately should any information on this application change or should I receive any additional financial assistance that is not indicated on this application.

**Signature** ___________________________  **Date** ____________

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT & SCHOLAR SERVICES  
190 Humphrey School  
301-19th Ave S  
Minneapolis, MN 55455  
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SECTION 4: VERIFICATION OF SOURCE OF FUNDS - If you have more than one source of funds, please make copies of this form.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR EACH FUNDING SOURCE INDICATED ON YOUR I-20/DS-2019. PLEASE SUBMIT A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH FUNDING SOURCE.

To the Applicant: Please fill in your name and ID Number here. Do not fill in any other information on this form unless you have listed “personal funds” on your I-20/DS-2019. **If you do not have “personal funds” listed on your visa documents and you complete this form on behalf of your funding source, your application becomes invalid!** If an assistantship is indicated on your visa document/s as funding source, this form should be completed by the appropriate University department.

**Student’s Name (please print)_________________________ UMN ID __________________**

**To the Funding Source:** The information on this form assists ISSS in determining the student’s eligibility to receive International Student Funding. The student’s application for International Student Funding will not be processed until this form is completed and submitted. **ISSS appreciates your assistance and the time you spend completing this form.**

**Name of Funding Source/Department: ________________________________**

**Address**

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**Relationship to student:** ☐ University Department  ☐ Self  ☐ Other (please specify) _______________________

| On the I-20 or DS-2019 form, how much money did you state you would be able to contribute toward the student’s education in the U.S.? Please state in U.S. Dollars. | U.S. $ |
| If the student was present in the U.S. and you provided financial support, please indicate how much money did you provide annually to the student for use before September 2015, in U.S. Dollars? | U.S. $ |
| How much money in U.S. Dollars did you provide the student from September through December 2015? | U.S. $ |
| How much money in U.S. Dollars will you provide to the student from January to May 2016? | U.S. $ |
If you are unable to provide as much money in spring 2016 as you did previously, please explain why you cannot continue your financial support at the same level. Please give details and attach supporting documentation (not required when this form is completed by a U of MN Department).

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**Stamp or Seal of Notary Public or Court Official certifying signature** (not needed if this form is completed by a student whose visa document/s indicated “personal funds”. A U of MN Department address stamp will be accepted in place of notarization when this form is completed by a Department Administrator)
SECTION 5: VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT: if you have more than one employer, please make copies of this form as needed.

Do not complete this form if you are a graduate student and you are applying for an International Student Work Opportunity Program (ISWOP) award. You must submit an ISWOP form completed by your department instead.

To the student: Please fill in your name and University ID number here.

Student’s Name (please print) ___________________________ UMN ID __________________

To the employer: The information on this form assists ISSS in determining the student’s eligibility to receive International Student Funding. The student’s application for International Student Funding will not be processed until this form is completed and submitted. **ISSS appreciates your assistance and the time you spend completing this form.**

I verify that ___________________________ is currently working ________ hours per week. S/he has been employed as a ___________________________ since ______________.

His/her hourly wage is $ ______________. This position is available to the student during (please check all that apply):  
☐ Spring 2016  ☐ Summer 2016  ☐ Fall 2016  

Is this position a graduate assistantship?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

You may use this space for any additional comments (not required!):  

Supervisor Signature ___________________________ Date ______________

Name (please print) ___________________________ Phone __________________

Email address ___________________________

Address Stamp: