

## WPI Application Checklist

**Your application will be considered complete only after all application materials are submitted. Failure to follow through with completing any forms may result in your application not being accepted. **Please note: you must start an application in the Global Portal in order to receive access to these forms.****

**Incoming Exchange Student Application**

**Copies of Passport**

**Financial Statements**

- As part of the J-1 visa requirement you need to submit one of the following financial statements:
  - Bank account of the person(s) responsible for covering your expenses while at WPI.
  - Proof of funding from the sponsoring organization responsible for covering your expenses while at WPI. This must be in English.
- *Note: You must be able to show a minimum of \$1200 per month for living expenses not including cost of insurance*

**Proof of English Language Proficiency**

- Students must have an adequate command of the English language to enroll in a degree program. An applicant's English proficiency level may be demonstrated by means of score reports of such exams
  - TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) 80 (iBT)
  - CSE (British General Certificate of Secondary Education) A or B
  - IELTS (International English Language Testing System) 6.5 or higher (with no band < 6.0)
- *Note: This is the minimum score allowed for admittance.*

**Proof of Medical Insurance**

- All international students are required to have insurance in effect that covers them for sickness or accidents during the time of their exchange visitor program. The recent rule increases the minimum coverage to meet today's medical insurance needs. As of May 15, 2015, [minimum coverage must provide medical benefits of at least \\$100,000 per accident or illness; repatriation of remains in the amount of \\$25,000; expenses associated with medical evacuation to the exchange visitor's home country in the amount of \\$50,000; and deductibles cannot exceed \\$500 per accident or illness](#) (Section 62.14(a)). Inadequate insurance coverage may be catastrophic for an individual exchange visitor. Thus, the Department increased the requirements.
- Program participants and their dependents are required to have medical insurance coverage with the following minimum benefits [22 CFR 62.14].

- Medical benefits of at least \$100,000 per accident or illness
  - Repatriation of remains in the amount of \$25,000
  - Expenses associated with the medical evacuation of the exchange visitor to his or her home country in the amount of \$50,000
  - A deductible not to exceed \$500 per accident or illness.
- Sponsors are to require that their participants (and any dependents entering the United States as holders of a J-2 visa) have insurance in effect during the period of time they are in the sponsor's program. An insurance policy secured to meet the benefits requirements must be underwritten by an insurance corporation with an A.M. Best rating of "A-" or above, an Insurance Solvency International, Ltd. (ISI) rating of "A-I" or above, a Standard and Poor's Claims Paying Ability rating of "A-" or above, or a Weiss Research, Inc. rating of B+ or above. Alternatively, the sponsor may ascertain that the participant's policy is backed by the full faith and credit of the government of the exchange visitor's home country. For other options, see [22 CFR 62.14].
- Program regulations also discuss coverage through HMOs and self-insurance of the above requirements by federal, state or local government agencies, state colleges and universities, and public community colleges, if permitted by law. Refer to [22 CFR 62.14] for additional information.

- Health Forms**
- Housing Options**
- Confirm Housing Options**
- Who's Who at WPI**