

## MCNEESE AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT FORM

You are required to certify that you will have available the sum of U.S. \$18,000 for your own expenses for your first academic year at McNeese State University, exclusive of travel expenses. You should also provide proof that U.S. \$18,000 per year will be available to you for each subsequent year of study. Students who plan to stay in the United States through one summer will need an additional \$4,500 for that three-month period. Self-sponsoring students must show \$18,000 for each year of expected study, as they will not be able to substantially supplement their savings while studying full-time and must show financial capability to cover the cost of tuition for the entire period. For example, a self-sponsoring student would be expected to show proof of \$36,000 (for graduate students to cover two years) or \$72,000 (for undergraduate students to cover four years) of expected study. **This form must be signed by your sponsor and must be accompanied by an official recent bank statement or official letter from a bank official verifying that your sponsor has a current minimum balance of \$18,000. The bank letter or statement cannot have a vague statement of the sponsor's financial ability.**

In computing your expenses, you should bear in mind that students holding Student (F-1) visas have limited opportunities to work on-campus part-time while enrolled at McNeese State University and will not be authorized to work off-campus except under extraordinary circumstances. Therefore, the applicant should not consider on-campus employment as a significant means of support while at McNeese State University. If you are a married student and plan to bring your spouse and children, a proportionately larger amount must be certified, on the basis of at least an additional \$4,200 per academic year (\$350 per month) for your spouse and \$2,400 (\$200 per month) for each child. (Note that spouses of F-1 Visa holders are not permitted to work under any circumstances.)

You are also likely to need this documentation to prove to the United States Consular officials that you have sufficient funds in order to obtain an F-1 visa. We suggest, therefore, that you make copies of all documents for this purpose. Please note that a form I-20 (for the issuance of an F-1 visa) cannot be issued until you have been admitted to McNeese State University. This McNeese Affidavit of Support Form is an admissions requirement for all international students.

**A. Please check appropriate response:**

I plan to come alone  
 I plan to bring the following dependents with me: (list full names and specify relationship to you, country of citizenship and date of birth for each dependent)

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 \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Please check appropriate response:**

I expect my program of study to require:  
 one year     two years     three years     four years

**1. Sources of Support:** Please print name of parent/and or sponsor below. Signature of sponsor is required in item 3. If sponsor is an organization or government please specify below and enclose with this form a signed copy of your Letter of Award. Please print "SELF" if self-sponsoring.

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| Name of Sponsor (Print)   |  |
| Amount (in US dollars) of Funds Available for First Year  |  |
| Amount (in US dollars) of Funds Available for Each Additional Year (up to 4 years total or completion of studies) |  |

**2. Enter the total amount of money you expect to have when you arrive at this institution:** U.S. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

We recommend that students arrive with access to at least US \$7,000 cash for initial expenses.

**3. SPONSOR INFORMATION AND CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that I have read the information furnished by the applicant on this form and that it is true and accurate. I make this Affidavit for the purpose of assuring the United States Government that the applicant, as well as the applicant's dependents in the U.S., will not become a public charge while in the United States. By my signature, I state that I have, as indicated above, the amount of funds (U.S. dollars) available for the first academic year and will make available additional funds for each additional year of study.

Sponsor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**4. APPLICANT'S VERIFICATION OF FUNDING**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that the total amount of money that I have available for my first academic year of study at McNeese State University (including funds for spouse and children if applicable) as mentioned above is correct and complete and that I shall notify McNeese State University of any change in my financial circumstances.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**SAMPLES ONLY**

**STUDENT WITH NO DEPENDENTS (NO SPOUSE OR CHILD)**

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| Name of Sponsor (Print)   | <b><i>PRINT SPONSOR'S NAME HERE</i></b> |
| Amount (in US dollars) of Funds Available for First Year  | <b><i>\$18,000</i></b>                  |
| Amount (in US dollars) of Funds Available for Each Additional Year (up to 4 years total or completion of studies) | <b><i>\$18,000</i></b>                  |

**STUDENT WITH DEPENDENT (SPOUSE COMING WITH STUDENT)**

***Note: You must add \$4200 for a spouse and \$2400 for each child to the required \$18,000.***

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| Name of Sponsor (Print)   | <b><i>PRINT SPONSOR'S NAME HERE</i></b> |
| Amount (in US dollars) of Funds Available for First Year  | <b><i>\$22,200</i></b>                  |
| Amount (in US dollars) of Funds Available for Each Additional Year (up to 4 years total or completion of studies) | <b><i>\$22,200</i></b>                  |