

Application for Visiting International Program

First Time Applicant

Re-Applicant (Date: _____)

University of Southern California Gould School of Law

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Application Deadline: We recommend that applicant applies for VIP before October 1 for the spring term (January start) and March 1 for the fall term (August start). The Admissions Committee will not review an application until all supporting documents are received. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all of their documents are submitted before a decision will be made on the application.

SECTION 1 PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name Mr. _____
 Ms. _____
Last (family) First Middle
(Full legal name as it appears in your passport)

Mailing Address (For all correspondence including visa document)

Permanent Address (If different from Mailing Address)

Street

Street

City State/Province

City State/Province

Postal Code Country

Postal Code Country

Home Telephone

Home Telephone

Cell (Mobile) Phone

Cell (Mobile) Phone

Primary Email

Primary Email

Emergency Contact Information

Name

Relationship

Street

City State/Province

Postal Code Country

Cell (Mobile) Phone

Email

Birth Date: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy) **Gender:** Male Female

City of Birth: _____ **Marital Status:** Single Married

Birth Country: _____ **Citizenship:** _____

SECTION 2 PASSPORT / VISA INFORMATION

Visa Status: 1a. Currently hold a U.S. Visa, list type: _____ Expiration Date: _____
(A, B1/2, F1/2, J1/2, L1/2) mm/dd/yyyy

1b. Currently hold a J1 or F1 visa and plan to transfer to USC from another U.S. institution. Please indicate the SEVIS ID, school name, program title and program end date:

1c. Currently hold a U.S. Visa (indicated in 1a) and plan to change status. Please check how below:

Leave U.S. and re-enter on USC DS-2019 Change status within U.S.

2. Do not currently hold a U.S. Visa. Type of visa you expect to obtain: _____

2a. Period of Appointment (DS-2019 Start/End dates for J1 visa): From: _____ To: _____

Other: Non-Resident Alien US Permanent Resident Political Asylum U.S. Citizen
Date Received: _____

3. My family will accompany me on J-2 visas and will need DS-2019 forms. (Include your future spouse, if you plan to marry before traveling to the U.S.) **Only a spouse and/or a child is considered dependent.**

* Please attach passport copies for each of your dependents in your application materials.

Name (Last, First name)	Relationship	Date of Birth	City & Country of Birth	Citizenship
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Country where your passport was or will be issued: _____

SECTION 3 EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Submit academic transcripts from your school and colleges/universities. Please list any English programs or institutions from which you received non-degree certificates in the U.S. Please include official, sealed transcripts from every year in which you attended your degree program(s) for each program that you list below (transcripts are not required for non-degree programs).

Institution (School/College/University)	Dates of Attendance	Degree Earned	Major	Date of Graduation	GPA	Class Rank
_____	_____ to _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please note distinctions, honors, awards and activities (academic and extracurricular). Use a separate sheet if necessary.

SECTION 4 EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Indicate all countries where you are licensed to practice law and dates of bar admission, if any.

Country: _____ Bar Admission year: _____

Please list your employment and professional activities since graduation from law school.

Current Title and Division	Dates of Employment
_____	_____ to _____
Organization	Email
Address	City, Province/State, Country, Postal Code

List other full-time positions held, including military experience. (Attach separate sheets if necessary)

Position 1	_____ to _____ Dates of Employment
Organization	_____ Email
Address	_____ City, Province/State, Country, Postal Code
Position 2	_____ to _____ Dates of Employment
Organization	_____ Email
Address	_____ City, Province/State, Country, Postal Code

Have you ever been disciplined, suspended, or expelled for academic or other reasons by an institution of higher learning?

Yes No *If Yes, please explain the circumstances fully on a separate sheet of paper.*

Excluding minor traffic violations, have you ever been accused of or convicted of any criminal offense?

Yes No *If Yes, on a separate sheet explain the circumstances fully, including the final disposition of the case.*

Have you ever been disciplined, suspended, or dishonorably discharged by any governmental agency, court of law, bar association, or armed forces?

Yes No *If Yes, on a separate sheet explain the circumstances fully, including the final disposition of the case*

SECTION 5 LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

What is your first language? _____

Applicants must provide proof of their English proficiency by submitting a TOEFL or IELTS score, otherwise an interview will be required. Please indicate your score if you take the TOEFL test. A minimum score of 90 IBT is recommended for the TOEFL. If you would like to submit an IELTS score in lieu of the TOEFL, a minimum score of 6.5 is recommended for the IELTS.

Score _____ Test Date _____
mm/dd/yyyy

If you have not taken the TOEFL or IELTS exam yet, but plan to take it please indicate your test date:

_____ mm/dd/yyyy

SECTION 6 FINANCIAL SUPPORT INSTRUCTIONS

University Requirements

- If you are **self-sponsored**, the University requires your bank statement(s) in English, with the \$USD amount. The total for a single participant must equal or exceed \$39,425USD (\$15,000 for tuition plus fees and living expenses).
- If you are **sponsored by an organization**, you must include a letter on your sponsoring organization's letterhead, signed by a representative of your sponsoring organization, which specifically states the amount of financial support to be given (at least \$39,425USD, covering \$15,000USD tuition plus fees and living expenses).
- If you are **sponsored by an individual**, you must include an affidavit of support, signed by that individual, which indicates their relationship to you (for instance relative, friend) and specifically states the amount of financial support to be given (at least \$39,425USD, covering \$15,000USD for tuition plus fees and living expenses). In addition to the affidavit of support, you MUST also submit your sponsoring individual's bank statement(s) in English, with the \$USD amount.

- If you plan to use your **own funds to supplement your sponsor's support**, please also include with the above materials a copy of your bank statement(s) in English, with the \$USD amount. The total amount from both sponsor and individual must equal or exceed \$39,425USD (\$15,000USD for tuition plus fees and living expenses).
- If you are **bringing your family**, please add \$14,244 for your spouse and \$7,128 for each child.

Provide amount(s) to be sponsored:

Tuition and Fees	\$15,425	\$
Housing, meals, transportation, books & other living expenses	\$24,000 minimum	\$
Family (if applicable)		\$
TOTAL		<u>\$</u>

SPONSORSHIP

If you will be sponsored by an organization, please complete:

_____	_____
Name	Title / Division
_____	_____
Organization	Telephone
_____	_____
Address (include street address for air courier delivery)	City, Province/State, Country, Postal Code

USC requires that international students have sufficient funds to cover travel to and from the United States and tuition, fees and living expenses while attending USC.

SECTION 7 APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS

Please send the following application materials to USC in one complete packet:

- 1. Signed Application & Fee**
The \$75 application fee is non-refundable. To pay application fee via credit card online, [click here](#). you may send a check or money order in US currency (please do not send cash), payable to "USC Gould School of Law" with your application to USC Gould School of Law.
- 2. TOEFL or IELTS Report – Applicant must provide proof of their English proficiency by submitting a TOEFL or IELTS score, otherwise an interview will be required.**
Request that your official test scores are sent to USC. The institutional code for USC is 4852 and our department code is 03. If you would like to request a TOEFL waiver, please submit a written request with your application materials.
- 3. Personal Statement**
A 2-3 page statement that describes your personal, academic and professional background and your reasons for applying
- 4. Resume/Curriculum Vitae**
- 5. Passport copy**
- 6. Financial Support document**
- 7. Research Proposal**
- 8. Scanned copies of transcripts from the post-secondary institutions attended**



Certification by Applicant

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and correct and that I have attended or am attending no institutions other than those listed. I understand that all documents submitted for admission consideration become property of the University of Southern California and will not be returned to me or duplicated for me for any reason. I also understand that acceptance to USC is subject to verification of final records from all institutions I have attended and that the application fee is non-refundable.

Signature

Date

Submit all application materials in a single PDF attachment to: gipadmissions@law.usc.edu

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