



J-1 Exchange Visitor Program Fees



WFI Fellows come to the US on a J-1 visa. The WFI International Fellowship Program is made possible through the U.S. Department of State’s J-1 Exchange Visitor Program. We partner with a non-profit organization, [Experience International \(EI\)](#), which is authorized by the Department of State to sponsor your program. Experience International will ensure that you meet the criteria for the Exchange Visitor Program and will guide you through the necessary steps to apply for the J-1 visa.

Important: You cannot go directly to the embassy for a J-1 visa, you must have a U.S. Sponsor

This document explains the fee structure for the program as of June 2016. Subject to change.

EI Visa Program Fee Including Health Insurance.

Timeframe	Total Cost	Amount Fellow Pays	Amount WFI Pays
6 Month Program	\$1936	\$968	\$968

Additional Visa-Related Fees. The Fellow is responsible for 100% of the following fees which are required by and paid to the US government:

- DS-160 Online Nonimmigrant Visa Application Form Fee: **\$160**
- SEVIS Fee: **\$180**

Total Cost to Applicant: \$1308 Covers six-month J-1 Program and **seven** months of health insurance. You are allowed to arrive up to 30 days before your program start date and stay up to 30 days after your program end date, and you must have health insurance the entire duration of your stay.

Other Program Fees (may or may not apply to Trainee):

- Dependent Documentation/J-2 \$ 475 per family + \$80/month for insurance + \$160 DS-160 Fee
- Applicants over 50 years old will have an increased cost for their health insurance and thus a higher visa program fee.

EI Refund Policy

In the event that your visa is denied, or that you withdraw from the program after the DS2019 has been issued, EI will refund a certain amount of your EI Visa fees, and this refund is split evenly between the Fellow and WFI.

Timeframe	Total Fees paid to EI	If Visa is denied or fellow withdraws after DS2019 issued	
		EI Refund to Fellow	EI Refund to WFI
6 Month Program	\$1936	\$693	\$693