# **Checklist New and Transfer Students**

## **DEL-MEM Program**

We would *prefer* to receive the documents together as **one PDF**. However, if uploading documents together as one PDF is not possible, then separate PDF files are allowable.

Document type for the upload: **Please submit only PDF files**. Word, Excel, and other document types are <u>not</u> recommended.

## **NEW STUDENTS:**

Students arriving directly from outside of the United States.

F1 Visa Holders MUST submit the following (requirements at a glance):

1. Complete and submit the Academic Objective online in Terra Dotta

New students should submit the following information to the Nicholas School's Student Services office. Then, the Nicholas School's Student Services office will forward the completed materials to Duke Visa Services.

### Submit the following online:

- 2. Proof of funding
- 3. Photocopy of passport biographic and expiration page
- 4. Previous visa categories/documents (if applicable)
- 5. Supporting documents for spouse/dependents (if applicable)

All I-20 application documents should be uploaded in the <u>secure StrongBox folder</u>.

In the **Description field**, please use the following naming convention for the file upload:

- Last/FamilyName\_FirstName\_TypeofDocument
- **Example:** Smith\_Joe\_BankStatement

Additional details below.

**Proof of Funding.** 

- Read and review the <u>funding guidelines</u> carefully.
- Students must provide proof of funding for up to **one academic year**. For the 2023-2024 academic year, students must provide proof of funding for this amount \$70,402.00, which is the *estimated* cost of tuition, fees, and personal expenses.
  - Scholarship Letter (if applicable). If you received a scholarship from the Nicholas School, we will add a copy of your scholarship letter to your PDF packet. Also, you should subtract the Nicholas School scholarship amount from the *estimated* cost of tuition, fees, and personal expenses for the 2023-2024 academic year and provide proof of funding for the balance.
    - For example:
      - \$70,402.00 (*estimated* cost of tuition, fees, and personal expenses for the 2023-2024 academic year)
      - minus \$2,000.00 (*Nicholas School scholarship, if applicable*)
      - = equals \$68,402.00 (in this example, the student must submit proof of funding in this amount)

Passport.

• Submit a photocopy of passport biographic and expiration page(s)

Visa Categories.

• Submit copies of previous visa categories/documents (I-20, DS-2019, I-797, EAD or other)

Visa.

• Submit copy of visa stamp

Spouse and Dependents.

- F-1 students have the opportunity to bring their **spouses and children** as F-2 dependents to the United States during their academic programs, however, F-2 regulations will not allow F-2 dependents to work. In the 'All Students' section below, see additional details about proof of funding and insurance costs for spouse and dependents.
  - Submit marriage license for spouse, if applicable
  - Submit copies of passport biographic and expiration pages(s) for spouse
  - Submit birth certificate (s) for dependent(s), if applicable
  - Submit copies of passport biographic and expiration pages(s) for dependent(s)

## **TRANSFER STUDENTS:**

Students transferring from an institution in the United States to Duke.

F1 Visa Holders MUST submit the following (requirements at a glance):

1. Complete and submit the Academic Objective online in Terra Dotta

Transfer students should submit the following information to the Nicholas School's Student Services office. Then, the Nicholas School's Student Services office will forward the completed materials to Duke Visa Services.

### Submit the following online:

- 2. Proof of funding
- 3. Photocopy of passport biographic and expiration page
- 4. Visa stamp
- 5. I-94
- 6. SEVIS transfer
- 7. Previous visa categories/documents (if applicable)
- 8. Supporting documents for spouse/dependents (if applicable)

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- **Example:** Smith\_Joe\_BankStatement

Additional details below.

**Proof of Funding.** 

- Read and review the <u>funding guidelines</u> carefully.
- Students must provide proof of funding for up to one academic year. For the 2023-2024 academic

year, students must provide proof of funding for this amount \$70,402.00, which is the *estimated* cost of tuition, fees, and personal expenses.

- Scholarship Letter (if applicable). If you received a scholarship from the Nicholas School, we will add a copy of your scholarship letter to your PDF packet. Also, you should subtract the Nicholas School scholarship amount from the *estimated* cost of tuition, fees, and personal expenses for the 2023-2024 academic year and provide proof of funding for the balance.
  - For example:
    - \$70,402.00 (*estimated* cost of tuition, fees, and personal expenses for the 2023-2024 academic year)
    - - minus \$2,000.00 (Nicholas School scholarship, if applicable)
    - = equals \$68,402.00 (in this example, the student must submit proof of funding in this amount)

Passport.

• Submit a photocopy of passport biographic and expiration page(s)

I-94.

• Submit a copy of the I-94 record, if currently in the United States

Visa Categories.

• Submit copies of previous visa categories/documents (I-20, DS-2019, I-797, EAD or other)

Visa.

• Submit copy of visa stamp

SEVIS.

Students must request the transfer of their SEVIS record from current school to Duke. Contact
the international office at current school to request a SEVIS transfer and <u>inform Duke Visa</u>
<u>Services of the SEVIS release date</u>. Be aware that F students, J students, and J scholars must pay
a SEVIS fee in addition to any other required administrative consular fees.

Spouse and Dependents.

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  - Submit marriage license for spouse, if applicable
  - Submit copies of passport biographic and expiration pages(s) for spouse
  - Submit birth certificate (s) for dependent(s), if applicable
  - Submit copies of passport biographic and expiration pages(s) for dependent(s)

## ALL STUDENTS:

Proof of Funding.

- For the purpose of obtaining a visa, the student must provide proof of funding for at least the first academic year. For the 2023-2024 academic year that amount is \$70,402.00 (includes estimated cost of tuition, fees, and personal expenses). The following amounts must be added if the student plans to bring a spouse or dependent.
  - Plus \$11,601.00 support for spouse
  - Plus \$5,901.00 support per dependent in addition to spouse

#### Health Insurance

International students in residence at Duke University on the F-1 or J-1 Visa are required to purchase \*Duke's Student Medical Insurance

• Student Health Insurance Annual Charge: \$3,476.00\*

The following amounts must be added if the student plans to bring a spouse or dependent.

- $\circ$   $\:$  In addition to the student's annual charge, spouse: \$6,368.00\*  $\:$
- $\circ$   $\:$  In addition to the student's annual charge, child: \$3,617.00\*  $\:$
- $\circ$   $\:$  In addition to the student's annual charge, family- \$9,983.00\*  $\:$

\* Student medical insurance premiums have not been set for 2023-2024; also amounts indicated for spouse, child and family are placeholders. The cost may vary/change once premiums have been finalized.