

J-1 BridgeUSA Fee Chart

Exchange Visitor Program Fee	depending on length of program
1 - 6 Months	\$1,400
7 - 12 Months	\$1,800
13 - 18 Months	\$2,000

Emergency Health Insurance **\$90 per month**
Due in full with signed Confirmation of Placement. Exchange Visitor is enrolled in emergency health insurance for duration of program, plus 30 days to cover some of the Grace Period.

SEVIS Fee **\$220**
Due in full with signed Confirmation of Placement. Experience International pays to the U.S. Government on your behalf.

Visa Application Fee **\$185**
Exchange Visitor will pay this fee directly to U.S. Government (not applicable to Canadian citizens)

J-2 Dependent Fee **\$800**
For spouse and dependents, if applicable. One fee regardless of the number of dependents.

Exchange Partner Fee **varies**
Fee charged by Experience International's in-country exchange partners. Please contact EI for more information.

Paperwork Rewrite Fee **\$100**

Extension of Placement **\$500**

Monthly Hosting Fee **\$110 per month per Exchange Visitor**
Discounts are given to public agencies and non-profit hosts. Typically billed to hosts, but sometimes Exchange Visitor will pay this fee. Due in full when Exchange Visitor arrives in the United States.

New Host Application Fee **\$300**
One-time cost for new hosts only, due with Host Application. Typically billed to hosts, but sometimes Exchange Visitor will pay this fee.

J-1 BridgeUSA Fee Policies

EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM FEE INCLUDES:

- J-1 Visa Sponsorship as required for all Exchange Visitors, including designation fees EI pays to the Department of State
- Ensuring that Hosts and Exchange Visitors remain in compliance with the J-1 federal regulations throughout the duration of the program
- Orientation Manual sent to Exchange Visitor before arrival in the United States
- Arrival Orientation via Video platform
- Assistance with paperwork associated with the visa application and creation of required documents to obtain the J-1 Visa
- Host screening, education, support, and manual
- DS2019 and visa paperwork emailed to the Exchange Visitor with all instructions necessary to obtain the visa at the U.S. Embassy, as well as additional arrival and cultural adaptation information
- Ongoing support, monitoring, and assistance, both before and during the Exchange Visitor's program
- 24-hour emergency phone line
- Online income tax filing service specific to non-residents
- Review of and tracking of mandatory BridgeUSA Program reports
- Enrollment in compliant insurance and guidance should the Exchange Visitor need medical treatment while in the U.S.
- Departure information and support
- Documentation verifying internship completion (if required for Exchange Visitor's home country college or university)
- Final Certificate of Completion and Letter of Acknowledgement given upon successful completion of the program

OTHER DETAILS:

- For self-placements, a \$800 deposit is due at time of application. This \$800 is applied to the Exchange Visitor Program Fee and is non-refundable.
- Insurance: EI pays your premium to the insurance provider on your behalf. Other than approved EI Exchange Partners' insurance policies, no other policies are accepted as primary coverage. If you choose to enroll in secondary travel or medical coverage, this will be in addition to the insurance purchased through EI or EI's Exchange Partners. You will be enrolled in insurance coverage for your program dates plus up to 30 additional days to be used before and/or after your program dates.
- Although EI covers most of the international currency transfer fees, you are responsible for fees your own bank/credit card charges for currency transactions.
- If Host is paying EV Program Fee, Insurance Fees, or SEVIS Fee, these are due with signed Confirmation of Placement.
- If Host is paying EV Visa Application Fee, Host is responsible for organizing reimbursement with EV directly.

REFUND POLICY:

No refunds are issued for SEVIS Fee or Visa Application Fee.

No refunds are issued after the visa is issued.

In the event of a Visa Denial or Withdrawal after placement has been confirmed, EI will refund:

- Exchange Visitor Program Fee minus \$800 Deposit (plus additional \$100 is retained if EV has a J-2);
- Insurance payment

Host will not owe Monthly Hosting Fee if EV withdraws prior to arrival, or if visa is denied.

In the event of Early Departure:

- No refunds are issued to Exchange Visitors
- If EI sourced the Exchange Visitor, EI may refund the host for "unused months," depending on the reason for early departure. If Exchange Visitor is self-placed, there is no refund of Monthly Hosting Fees.

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