TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

Office of Institutional Compliance

## **DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR J-1 SCHOLAR SPONSORSHIP**

NAME OF DEPARTMENT/SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF EXCHANGE VISITOR: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT FOAP FOR FEDEX BILLING: \_\_\_\_\_\_

## **REQUEST FOR J-1**

\_\_\_\_ Foreign National is outside USA

\_\_\_\_ Foreign National is in the USA on J-1 status and will transfer from another J-1 program

Name of current J- institution: \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Foreign National is in the USA and will need to change visa status to J-1 status

Foreign National is already at TTUHSC in J-1 visa status and needs to extend the J-1 program

## PROOF OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE ABILITY

Federal regulations require that a J-1 exchange visitor must have "sufficient proficiency in the English language, as determined by an objective measurement of English language proficiency, to successfully participate in his or her program and to function on a day to day basis. "At TTUHSC, all J-1 Exchange Visitors must show proof of English language ability through one of the four (4) options below:

- A. <u>Documentation that the prospective J-1 exchange visitor is a Native English speaker</u> from an English-speaking country (examples: Australia, Belize, Botswana, Canada (except Quebec), Commonwealth Caribbean, Ghana, United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales & Northern Ireland), Republic of Ireland, New Zealand, Nigeria, Singapore, South Africa or Zimbabwe.
- B. <u>English Language Proficiency Test</u>: The test must have been taken within the last two (2) years. One of the following tests, with the minimum score indicated, is acceptable:
  - 1. IELTS: 6.5 minimum score
  - 2. TOEFL:
    - a. Paper-based test (PBT): minimum score of 550
    - b. Computer-based test (CBT): minimum score 213
    - c. Internet-based test: (IBT): minimum score of 79
- C. <u>Transcripts showing a degree earned from a U.S. college or university</u>. Cannot be a bilingual program and degree must have been obtained within the last five (5) years.
- D. <u>Interview in English conducted by the TTUHSC sponsoring professor</u>. Interview can be in-person, by videoconferencing or by telephone.