J-1 Research Scholar/Professor

**Duration:**
Maximum of 5 years¹

¹ Yale appointment maximum duration may differ

**Processing Information:**

- Processed by OISS
- Allow 6 to 8 weeks² for OISS to process and send immigration document to scholar

² Does not include time waiting for a visa appointment [2]

**Use at Yale:**

- Postdoctoral Associate
- Postdoctoral Fellow
- Postgraduate Associate
- Postgraduate Fellow
- Associate Research Scientist
- Visiting Fellow
- Lab Associate
- Lector
- Senior Lector
- Senior Lecturer
- Visiting Faculty

**Considerations:**

- Fastest non-immigrant option; takes the least amount of time to process.
- Will be subject to the ?12 or 24 month bar [3].
- Dependents hold J-2 status and can apply for work?authorization.
- May be subject to the ?two year home country resident?requirement [4].
- May transfer [5] between different U.S. schools inside the U.S but there can be no gap between employers and must all be within the five-year maximum.

*About J-1 Visas* [6]

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