

## J-1 Short-Term Scholar

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**Length of Stay:**

Up to 6 months

**Purpose of Visit:**

To lecture, teach, observe, or attend seminar or conference

**Processing Time:**

- Processed by OISS
- Allow 6 to 8 weeks\* for OISS to process and send immigration document to scholar

\*Does not include [time waiting for a visa appointment](#) [2] and USCIS's visa processing time

**Application Considerations:**

Apply no later than 4 months prior to the start date

**Immigration Sponsorship:** Yale**Financial Support:**

[Any source including personal funding](#) [3], subject to the applicable appointment policy

**Special Notes & Considerations:**

- Fastest non-immigrant option; takes the least amount of time to process.
- Not subject to the [12 or 24 month bar](#) [4], which they would be if using the J-1 Research Scholar/Professor category.
- Dependents hold J-2 status and can apply for work authorization.
- May be subject to the [two year home country residence requirement](#) [5].
- May [transfer](#) [6] between different U.S. schools inside the U.S but there can be no gap between employers.
- Must return home after J-1 stay.
  
- Back-to-back J-1 scholar visits aren't allowed; must have at least one academic semester apart and for a different J-1 objective.

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