## Purpose
- **J-1 Visiting Scholar**: Research, teaching, observation to benefit international exchange.
- **B-1 Visa Waiver Program**: Engaging in temporary professional activities (conferences, seminars, independent research, observing professional activity).
- **H-1B Temporary Worker**: Employment in a specialty occupation (specific field of specialization).
- **TN Canadian Mexican Professionals**: Temporary employment for professionals under NAFTA.

## Initial Time
- **J-1 Visiting Scholar/Professor**: Up to 5 years.
- **B-1**: (no pay/reimbursement only) – reasonable, up to 6 months.
- **B-1 (Honorary)**: event lasting not more than 6 months.
- **VWP**: (no pay/reimbursement only) – up to 60 days.
- **VWP (Honorary)**: event lasting not more than 6 months.

## Extension
- **J-1 Extension of temporary stay**: may be granted by USCIS in increments of not more than 6 months up to a total time of 1 year.
- **J-1 (Honorary)**: event lasting not more than 6 months.
- **B-1**: extension of temporary stay may be granted by USCIS in increments of not more than 6 months up to a total of 1 year.
- **VWP**: No extension.

## Intent
- **J-1 Visiting Scholar/Professor**: Return home at end of program – must declare temporary intent to obtain visa.
- **B-1**: Dual intent – may eventually seek PR.
- **H-1B**: The job must be temporary.

## Position
- **J-1 Visiting Scholar/Professor**: No tenure-track faculty positions, appointment must be temporary.
- **B-1**: Temporary activities.
- **H-1B**: May receive an honorarium for activities lasting not more than 9 days.

## Restrictions
- **J-1**: 2-year home return requirement for some, not all.
- **B-1**: All Research Scholars/Professors – 24-month repeat participation bar.
- **H-1B**: Positions requiring at least a Bachelor's degree in a specific field of study.

## Funding
- **J-1**: Ohio State, personal funds, home institution, government, scholarship, etc.
- **B-1**: Personal funds, home institution.
- **H-1B**: Salary/hourly wage paid with Ohio State paycheck.
- **TN**: Salary paid with Ohio State paycheck.

## Processing Time
- **J-1**: DS-2019, department's invitation letter, funding documentation if not being fully funded by Ohio State.
- **B-1**: After Biometrics record and all required documentation have been submitted, 3 days.
- **H-1B**: After 6 months.
- **VWP**: After 6 months.

## Documents Required for Visa or Entry at Border
- **J-1**: DS-2019, department's invitation letter, funding documentation if not being fully funded by Ohio State.
- **B-1**: Letter from department stating purpose of the trip, arrangements for covering costs of the trip and length of stay.
- **H-1B**: I-1967 approval notices, petition packet.

## Fees
- **J-1**: Visa fees, ESTA fee, boarding fee (if applicable).
- **B-1**: Visa fees, ESTA fee, boarding fee (if applicable).
- **H-1B**: $2,426:
  - Extension: $1,936
  - Optional Premium Processing fee: $1,440
  - Family: $290
- **VWP**: $375.

## Dependents
- **J-2**: Eligible for work authorization.
- **B-1**: J-2 visa, conditional labor certification.
- **H-4**: Must change status to work.
- **TD**: Cannot work.

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