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F2 Dependent Information Sheet

The spouse or unmarried minor children of an F1 visa student can be admitted in F2 status to accompany the student to the United States or follow to join the student at a later date.

In order to request a Form I-20 for your spouse/child, please submit the following documents to the International Office via email at intlservices@academyart.edu. The International Office will process your request within 3 business days.

- 1. Photocopy of marriage license (spouse) and/or birth certificate (child)
- 2. Photocopy of passport for your spouse and/or child
- 3. Completed Affidavit of Support Form
- 4. Current Bank Statement in the amount of \$58,000 (for you) + an additional \$5000 per dependent

In order to apply for the F2 visa your spouse/child must have the following documents:

- 1. Valid F2 I-20, properly endorsed for travel (request at the International Services Office)
- 2. Valid Passport (must be valid for 6 month into the future)
- 3. I-901 SEVIS Fee receipt (print out at https://www.fmjfee.com)
- 4. Proof of current financial support (official bank letter & letter of financial support from your sponsor)
- 5. F2 Visa Support Letter (request from the International Office at intlservices@academyart.edu
- 6. Marriage Certificate (spouse) or Birth Certificate (child)
- 7. Photocopy of spouse or parent F1 Form I-20
- 8. Photocopy of spouse or parent passport
- 9. Photocopy of spouse or parent F1 visa
- 10. Transcript of F1 to verify full-time enrollment
- 11. F2 Visa Application Form (DS-160), Fees and Photographs (according to Embassy required format)
- 12. <u>CONTACT the U.S. CONSULATE or EMBASSY</u> in your country to schedule an appointment and to find out what other documents are needed for your F-2 visa application

F2 Restrictions:

- 1. Individuals in F2 status may not accept employment or engage in business under any circumstances.
- 2. F2 study is restricted. F2 children may only engage in full-time study at the K-12 level. F2 spouses may study part-time only.
- 3. Individuals in F2 status wishing to engage in full-time studies or are turning 21, must change their status to F1.
- 4. The F2 dependent status is only valid when the F1 student is in valid status.

F2 Travel: F2 dependents planning to travel outside the U.S. must have the following documents for re-entry

- 1. Valid F2 Form I-20 with a valid travel signature not older than 12 months
- 2. Valid passport must be valid for 6 months into the future upon re-entry to the U.S.
- 3. Valid F2 visa

Generally, a visa can be denied at the embassy/consulate any time the applicant is unable to prove that he or she can and will comply with the visa program's purpose and requirements.