



Dear International Student:

The School of Eurythmy is authorized under United States federal law to enroll non-immigrant foreign students. Once you have completed the application process and have been accepted into the Full-Time Training at the School of Eurythmy we will issue the necessary paperwork for obtaining an F-1 student visa. We have provided a general outline of the process below and an explanation of what the U.S. Government requirements are to obtain the visa. While it is a multi-step process, we will be there to guide you in completing each segment, to make the process as easy as possible for you.

Steps to Take for International Students Applying to Eurythmy Spring Valley

1. Complete and Submit the ESV Full-time Student Application

- a. Application
- b. Short Biography
- c. Two recommendation letters
- d. Health Form
- e. Application fee (See the application for how to submit this payment.)
- f. Copy of your passport, picture page only

Once your application is complete, it will be sent to the admissions committee for approval. Once approved, you can begin the process of applying for housing as well as your visa.

2. Apply for Housing

- a. Single Living - Fill out and submit the housing application for the Student Dormitory called Holder House. Plan to budget approximately \$8000 for the school year. (Housing \$4000 / Food \$3000)
- b. Family Living - If you will be traveling with dependents, you can apply for on-campus family housing. These applications are submitted each year in March. Please be aware that on-campus family housing is very limited and not guaranteed. We recommend that you apply as early as possible. If you would like to request family housing, please send your request to the school email: info@eurythmy.org. For family housing, plan to budget \$1500 - \$2800 a month. The price is based on the size of the apartment. Should on-campus housing not be available, we will support you in pursuing other housing resources.

3. Steps to Apply for the Student F-1 Visa

- a. **Submit the International Student Certification of Finances Form** - As an international student, you will need to gather documentation for the United States government in order to apply for a visa to study at our school. Limited tuition assistance is available in the form of Grants, Loans and Work study. Please see the Tuition Information Sheet sent with this letter to know how much to initially budget for tuition costs. Once you have been notified that your full-time application has been accepted, you will need to fill out the ***“International Student Certification of Finances Form”*** and submit to Eurythmy Spring Valley, to show proof of funding for your studies. This form will be emailed to you after you have been accepted to the school.



- b. **Traveling with Dependents***** - If you plan to bring your children or family with you, we can issue the documents for them to apply for their F-2 visas. Again, you will need to provide proof of financial support to cover their living expenses, including any tuition costs, if the children plan to attend Green Meadow Waldorf School or any other private school. If your spouse plans to come with you, keep in mind that a spouse on an F-2 visa is not allowed to work while in the US. You will need to contact the school you plan to send your child to, to discuss their steps for application.

- b. **Next Steps** - At present, the U.S. Government is allowing schools to utilize electronic signatures, which is how you will receive your signed Form I-20 and enrollment agreement. The email with these documents will also include detailed instructions on the next steps to take in order to apply for your student visa. We do not recommend using a paid service to help you prepare your visa, as we have found that they are not worth the cost and often make mistakes. We will guide you each step of the way and share with you effective tips on how to be the most successful during your visa application process. Just before your scheduled visa interview, we will set up a practice interview using WhatsApp or WeChat, so that you feel very well prepared for your interview.

We look forward to receiving your application. Feel free to call or email me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Warm regards,

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