

Does your family want to visit you at Liberty University? Here's what you need to know.

As your family members prepare to apply for a B1/B2 visitor's visa, please use this information to help them understand the process.

This information is from the Department of State website:

US immigration law presumes that all visa applicants actually intend to immigrate permanently to the United States. To qualify for B1, B2, or B1/B2 visas, you need to overcome the presumption that you intend to stay in the United States permanently. You can overcome this presumption by providing evidence that you have strong, binding ties to your home country, and that you have no intention of abandoning your residence there.

Before scheduling a Visa appointment:

- 1. Visit the website for the U.S. Embassy in your home country. You can find this by going to Google and typing "U.S. Embassy in (your home country)". Each country may have different requirements.
- 2. All countries will require <u>at least</u> these items to apply for a visitor's visa:
 - Valid passport
 - Visa application
 - Proof that the visa application fee has been paid
 - Passport photos
 - Bank statements proving they have finances to pay for their plane tickets and travel while in the U.S.
 - A Letter from their employer
- 3. What you need to mail to your family for their visa interview:
 - Official Transcripts from the Registrar's Office
 - Letter of Enrollment Verification from the Registrar's Office
 - Letter of Invitation from your International Student Advisor. Please email <u>mystatus@liberty.edu</u> and include the name(s) relations and address(es) of your guests. The name needs to be **exactly** as it appears in their passport.