

J-1 RESEARCH SCHOLAR

Applicant Fees & Related Information 2019-2020

Individual Research Scholars:

Fall Semester: September, October, November, December (Sept. 3-Dec. 19)

Spring Semester: February, March, April, May (Jan. 21-May 7)

Hartford Seminary Fee: \$2,000 per semester.

Rent on campus (includes: heat, electricity, hot water, basic internet access, basic cable TV connection in the living room, and a monthly cleaning fee for shared spaces)

- Reservation & Security Deposit: \$1,250 (includes \$100 deposit applied to first month's rent, \$525 remainder of first month's rent, and \$625 security deposit)
- Rent per month: \$650-\$700
- \$20 monthly fee for supplemental cleaning of shared spaces
- One-time fee for use of linens-\$10

Full access to Hartford Seminary's Library

An assigned Seminary faculty member as your liaison

Consultation with all seminary faculty where appropriate in connection with your exchange program.

Opportunities to teach, lecture, observe or consult in relation to your research topic.

Attendance at all seminary events

Participation in interfaith discussions, formally and informally with our diverse student body.

*Research Scholars who live on campus during the summer months (June, July, and August) are required to pay rent (\$670-\$720 per month per month) in addition to the monthly supplemental cleaning fee.

Research Scholars with Dependents: (must secure off-campus housing)

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Spring Semester: February, March, April, May (Jan. 21-May 7)

Hartford Seminary Fee: \$2,000 per semester (see above for what is included in fee excluding on-campus rent)

Off campus housing costs: (estimates)

Rent: \$960-\$1300 per month

Internet connection: \$30 per month

Heat: \$150-\$300 per month

Electricity: \$50-\$150 per month

Living expense costs for on and off campus per individual (estimates)

Food: \$300 per month

Personal expenses: \$50 per month

Public transportation: \$45 per month

Mobile phone: \$25 per month



Additional costs for all Research Scholars excluding Hartford Seminary Fee:

DS-160 Nonimmigrant visa application fee: \$160

One-time SEVIS I-901 Fee: \$220 – required for Form DS-2019 (paid by the J-1 Visa holder only, not J-2 dependents)

Please Note: J-2 dependents have to pay the visa application fee only

Medical insurance: \$74-\$160 per month per person (estimate)

Gateway Patriot Exchange Program (Non U.S. citizens) - <http://www.gatewayplans.com/travel-medical-insurance/gateway-patriot-exchange>

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) fee: \$160-\$250 – *if applicable*

Or

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) fee: \$215-\$240 – *if applicable*

International Background Check - approximately \$65

Payment of Hartford Seminary Fee and Rent on Campus:

All fees charged to you by Hartford Seminary must be paid by the due date given. Fees are due by the first day of the semester. Please contact Chantel Gardner by email (cgardner@hartsem.edu) or phone at 860-509-9524 in the Business Office if you need to make payment arrangements. If any fees are not paid and you have not made a payment arrangement with the Business Office, your DS-2019 may be in jeopardy of being terminated under the exchange program guidelines set forth by Hartford Seminary.

Cancellation Policy: No refunds will be given to Research Scholars who withdraw from the J-1 Exchange Visitor Program before the end date as noted on their Form DS-2019 or if their end date is prior to the end of the fall or spring semesters (dates as noted above).