



O-1 Supplement

Request for O-1 petition to be filed on behalf of prospective employee
To be Completed by Department and submitted with Form A

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The information requested in this supplement is intended to provide the ISSO with an overview of qualifications to determine the viability of sponsoring this individual for O-1 status. Please **do not** submit supporting documentation (e.g., peer recommendation letters). If the ISSO determines that BU will proceed in submitting an O-1 petition, the department will be instructed regarding submission of such documentation after review.

A. BU Department Information

Department: _____

BU Host / Supervisor Name: _____ Department Contact Name: _____

B. Scholar Name

Family Name / Surname: _____ First / Given Name: _____ Middle Name(s), if applicable: _____

C. Additional Appointment Information

Number of people this person will supervise: _____ This individual's expertise and background is in:
 Sciences, Education, Business or Athletics (After completing this page, complete section F only, not G)
 The Arts (After completing this page, complete section G only, not F)

Describe fully the job duties to be performed. Include amount and type of supervision required. Please continue on additional sheet if necessary.

D. Prestigious International Prize or Award

One basis for O-1 status is the receipt of an award the caliber of the Nobel Prize (for sciences, education, business and athletics) or for artists, an Academy Award, Emmy, Grammy, or Director's Guild Award. Has this individual received one of the above listed awards or another prize of similar international standing?
 No *Yes. Award:* _____

E. Peer Recommendations

Petitions for O-1 status must include letters of recommendation (also known as "advisory opinions") attesting to the scholar's ability (please see O-1 Overview). Please list below at least four experts in the field (outside BU) who are able to write such a recommendation and briefly explain why each is considered eligible to make the recommendation. Note: more experts may be needed.

1. _____ Why Qualified: _____

2. _____ Why Qualified: _____

3. _____ Why Qualified: _____

4. _____ Why Qualified: _____

F. Basis for Claim of Extraordinary Ability in the Sciences, Education, Business, or Athletics

If this scholar does not qualify for O-1 status based on a Nobel-caliber prize, BU must demonstrate extraordinary ability based on at least three of the following eight categories. Please give brief summaries regarding how this individual qualifies under at least three – and preferably more – of the following categories. If the individual's field is in Arts, please skip this section and complete section G. Please be informed that if BU proceeds with O-1 sponsorship, you will be asked to supply documentation to support the information you provide below.

1. Receipt of nationally or internationally recognized prizes or awards for excellence in the field of endeavor:

2. Membership in associations in the field which require outstanding achievements of their membership, as judged by recognized national and international experts in their disciplines or fields:

3. Published material in professional or major trade publications or major media about the alien, relating to the alien's work in the field, which shall include the title, date, and author of the published material.

4. The scholar's participation on a panel, or individually, as a judge of the work of others in the same or in an allied field of specialization.

5. Original scientific, scholarly, or business-related contributions of major significance in the field.

6. The scholar's authorship of scholarly articles in the field, in professional journals, or other major media.

7. The scholar has been employed in a critical or essential capacity for organizations and establishments that have a distinguished reputation.

8. The scholar has either commanded a high salary or will command a high salary or other remuneration for services, evidenced by contracts or other reliable evidence.

If the criteria in numbers one through eight above does not readily apply to the scholar's occupation, please summarize comparable evidence that might be submitted in order to establish the scholar's eligibility.

G. Basis for Claim of Extraordinary Ability in the Arts.

If this scholar does not qualify for O-1 status based on an Academy Award-level prize, BU must demonstrate extraordinary ability based on at least three of the following six categories. Please give brief summaries regarding how this individual qualifies under at least three – and preferably more – of the following categories. If the individual’s field is something other than the Arts, completion of this section is not necessary. Please be informed that, if BU proceeds with O-1 sponsorship, you will be asked to supply documentation to support the information you provide below.

1. The scholar has performed, or will perform, services as a lead or starring participant in productions or events which have a distinguished reputation as evidenced by critical reviews, advertisements, publicity releases, publications contracts, or endorsements:

2. The scholar has achieved national or international recognition for achievements evidenced by critical reviews or other published materials by or about the individual in major newspapers, trade journals, magazines, or other publications:

3. The scholar has performed, and will perform, in a lead, starring, or critical roll for organizations and establishments that have a distinguished reputation evidenced by articles in newspapers, trade journals, publications, or testimonials.

4. The scholar has a record of major commercial or critically acclaimed successes as evidenced by such indicators as title, rating, standing in the field, box office receipts, motion picture or television ratings, and other occupational achievements reported in trade journals, major newspapers, or other publications.

5. The scholar has received significant recognition for achievements from organizations, critics, government agencies, or other recognized experts in the field. Such testimonials must be in a form which clearly indicates the author’s authority, expertise, and knowledge of the scholar’s achievements.

6. The scholar has either commanded a high salary or will command a high salary or other remuneration for services in relation to others, evidenced by contracts or other reliable evidence.

If the criteria in numbers one through six above do not readily apply to the scholar’s occupation, please summarize comparable evidence that might be submitted in order to establish the scholar’s eligibility.