New Department of State federal regulations require all J-1 Exchange Visitors have:

“... sufficient proficiency in the English language as determined by an objective measurement of English language proficiency, successfully to participate in his or her program and to function on a day-to-day basis” [22 CFR 62.10(a)(2)]. Because of this regulation, sponsors must now verify an applicant’s English language proficiency.

Please check all methods used to assess English language skills of the J-1 Exchange Visitor:

Visitor Name:____________________________________ Appointment (GI/GS/SSF)______________________________

1. ___A recognized English language test

Please verify which test (e.g. TOEFL, IELTS) _____________________________.

2. ___By signed documentation from an academic institution or English language school

Please verify the name of academic institution or English language school

_______________________________________________________________.

3. ___ Through a documented interview conducted by the sponsor

Please verify the method(s) used below:

□ In-person interview

Name and title of interviewer_____________________________ and date of interview _________________

□ Videoconferencing

Name and title of interviewer_____________________________ and date of interview _________________

□ Telephone interview if videoconferencing is not a viable option

Name and title of interviewer_____________________________ and date of interview _________________

I certify that I have verified that the scholar noted above possesses sufficient English proficiency to successfully participate in this Exchange Visitor program at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution and function on a day-to-day basis in the U.S.

Sponsor Name (Print) ___________________________ Title_________________________________________

Signature ________________________________ Date ________________________________