The following J-1 Exchange Visitor Categories are authorized by the
Department of State for East Carolina University:

**Student** – An individual who is

1. Studying in the United States:
   - Pursuing a full course of study at a secondary accredited institution;
   - Pursuing a full course of study leading to or culminating in the award of a U.S. degree from a post-secondary accredited educational institution; or
   - Engaged full-time in a prescribed course of study of up to 24 months duration conducted by:
     - A post-secondary accredited education institution; or
     - An institute approved by or acceptable to the post-secondary accredited educational institution where the student is to be enrolled upon completion of the non-degree program.

2. Engaged in academic training as permitted in § 62.23(f);

3. Engaged in English language training at:
   - A post-secondary accredited educational institution, or
   - An institute approved by or acceptable to the post-secondary accredited educational institution where the college or university student is to be enrolled upon completion of the language training.

**Professor (Maximum stay is 5 years)** – An individual who is:

- Primarily teaching, lecturing, observing, or consulting at post-secondary accredited educational institutions, museums, libraries, or similar types of institutions. A professor may also conduct research where authorized by the sponsor.

**Research Scholar (Maximum stay is 5 years)** – An individual who is:

- Primarily conducting research, observing, or consulting in connection with a research project at research institutions, corporate research facilities, museums, libraries, post-secondary accredited
educational institutions, or similar types of institutions. The research scholar may also teach or lecture where authorized by the sponsor.

**Short-Term Scholar (Maximum stay is 6 months)** – An individual who is:

- A professor, research scholar, specialist, or a person with similar education or accomplishments coming to the United States on a short-term visit for the purpose of lecturing, observing, consulting, training, or demonstrating special skills at research institutions, museums, libraries, post-secondary accredited educational institutions, or similar types of institutions.