



## CONSULADO GENERAL DE COLOMBIA

### COURTESY VISA (CO)

This visa is granted to a foreigner admitted to Colombia for special intellectual, professional, cultural, academic, scientific, political, business, commercial, or social reasons; in the exchange, programs or activities, related to the aforementioned categories, sponsored by entities or by public or private institutions.

#### DOCUMENTS NEEDED:

- Passport with available pages, and valid for at least three (3) months.
- Two (2) photocopies of the pages of the passport containing information as well as all previously granted visas.
- Two (2) originals of the Visa Application Form completely filled out, and duly signed.
- Three (3) recent color passport-type photographs (1.5"x1.5").
- Introductory letter from the applicant requesting the visa (no photocopies please).
- Applicant is required to appear in person at the consulate's office.

**FREE OF CHARGE** (no Consular fee)

If the visa is issued for more than three (3) months, the visa holder should register it in the Immigration Office of the Administrative Department of Security (Departamento Administrativo de Seguridad - DAS) within fifteen (15) working days from the arrival date.

The issuance of this visa does not imply the issuance of beneficiary visas to spouse or children etc.

#### IMPORTANT NOTES

- All applicants are required to appear in person at the consulate's office either when submitting the documentation or when receiving the approved visa. **No exceptions.**
- All Documents issued in languages other than Spanish **MUST** be submitted duly **TRANSLATED INTO SPANISH**, and both versions should be **notarized** by a Notary Public. They must be also certified with an **APOSTILLE** by the Office of the Secretary of State at the state where they were issued.
- For U.S citizens the study of the visa application form and documents takes three (3) working days; for non-U.S. citizens it may take up to two (2) weeks, and it is subject to the approval of the Colombian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.