L-2 DS-160 Sample for the Spouse of an L-1 Worker (India)

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See how a fictional wife of an Indian L-1 manager answered the DS-160, including her husband's name and L-1 petition number, who pays for the trip, his U.S. company as her contact and her maiden name. Know what the form asks before you start your own.

This is a fictional example for educational purposes, not an official or pre-approved application. Your DS-160 answers must reflect your own circumstances. Do not copy the sample answers unless they are independently true for you.

Before you start: information you'll want ready

The form will ask for

- Your passport
- Your husband's L-1 approval notice (I-797), for the receipt number
- Your husband's full name, date and place of birth, as on his passport
- Your maiden name and any other names you have used
- Your employer's name, address and phone, your start date and your monthly income
- The address where you will live in the U.S.

Helpful to have nearby

- The name and email of your contact at your husband's U.S. company
- Your earlier jobs and your university, with addresses and dates
- Your social media usernames from the last five years
- A recent photo that meets the U.S. visa photo rules

Questions applicants commonly get stuck on

How this fictional applicant answered, why, and what to check for your own form. Answer for your own situation, which may differ.

3.1 *Purpose of Visit*

Purpose of Trip to the U.S.	INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREE (L)
Specify Visa	SPOUSE OF A L1 (L2)
Principal Applicant Information	
Surnames of Principal Applicant	SHARMA
Given Names of Principal Applicant	ROHAN
Petition Number or Application Receipt Number	EAC2690041883

Why Neha is going as the wife of an L-1 worker, so she chooses Spouse of an L1 and gives her husband Rohan's name and the receipt number of his petition.

For your application Copy the receipt number from your spouse's I-797 and their name as it is on their passport. It is the same number on their form and yours.

See the DS-160 for Rohan: L-1 DS-160 (India)

3.3 *Address where you will stay in the U.S.*

Address Line 1	45 PARSONAGE RD
Address Line 2	APT 2C
City	EDISON
State	NEW JERSEY
Zip Code	08837
Person/Entity Paying for Your Trip	OTHER PERSON
Provide the following information:	
Surnames of Person Paying for Trip	SHARMA
Given Names of Person Paying for Trip	ROHAN
Telephone Number	919822055164
Email Address	ROHAN.SHARMA@EXAMPLE.COM

Payer relationship to You	SPOUSE
Is the address of the party paying for your trip the same as your Home or Mailing Address?	Yes

Why She will live with her husband in their flat in Edison, and he pays for her trip, so she names him as the payer with the relationship Spouse.
For your application Name whoever is actually paying for your trip, which may not be the company that pays for your spouse's. Have their phone and email ready.

1.4 Have you ever used other names (i.e., maiden, religious, professional, alias, etc.)? — Yes

Provide the following information:

Other Surnames Used (maiden, religious, professional, aliases, etc.)	*Other Given Names Used*
VERMA	NEHA

Why Verma was her surname before she married, so she lists it as another name.
For your application Include a maiden name and any other name you have used. If you have only ever used one name, answer No.

8.1 *Contact Person or Organization in the United States*

Contact Person	
Surnames	MILLER
Given Names	JENNIFER
Organization Name	
Organization Name	NILGIRI DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC

8.2 Relationship To You — U.S. PETITIONER

Why Her contact is the same person at her husband's U.S. company that he names on his form. The company filed the petition that covers her, so she chooses U.S. Petitioner.
For your application If you have no contact of your own, you can name someone at your spouse's U.S. employer. Ask them first, and check that the name and email are current.

11.1 Primary Occupation — BUSINESS

Present Employer or School Information	
Present Employer or School Name	KALE AND JOSHI CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
Present Employer or School Address	
Street Address (Line 1)	OFFICE 4, SHRIRAM CHAMBERS
Street Address (Line 2)	PRABHAT ROAD
City	PUNE
State/Province	MAHARASHTRA
Postal Zone / ZIP Code	411004
Country / Region	INDIA
Phone Number	912066550175
Start Date	June 29, 2017
Monthly Income in Local Currency (if employed)	145000
Briefly describe your duties	AUDIT AND PREPARE TAX RETURNS FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM BUSINESS CLIENTS; REVIEW THE WORK OF TWO JUNIOR ACCOUNTANTS; ADVISE CLIENTS ON GST FILINGS

Why She is a chartered accountant at a practice in Pune and still works there, so she names it and gives her monthly income. The list has no option for accountants, so she chooses Business.
For your application Describe the job you have on the day you fill in the form, even if you will leave it when you move.

4.1 Are there other persons traveling with you? — Yes

Are you traveling as part of a group or organization? No

Provide the following information for each person traveling with you:

Surnames of the person traveling with you	*Given names of the person traveling with you*	*Relationship to you*
SHARMA	ROHAN	SPOUSE
SHARMA	AARAV	CHILD

Why She travels with her husband and their son, so she lists both. Her son fills in his own DS-160 for an L-2 visa.

For your application List everyone travelling with you. Each family member, children included, needs their own DS-160.

9.3 Do you have any immediate relatives, not including parents, in the United States? No

Do you have any other relatives in the United States? No

Why Her husband and son move with her, and neither is in the U.S. yet, so she answers No.

For your application Answer for the day you fill in the form. If your spouse is already living in the U.S., this answer is Yes, with their status.

Common questions about this example

Do I need my own DS-160 if I travel with my husband?
Yes. Every applicant needs their own DS-160 and confirmation number, children included. Your form names your husband as the principal applicant.
Official source travel.state.gov

Which petition number goes on my form?
Your husband's. An L-2 spouse has no petition of her own, so the form asks for the principal applicant's name and the receipt number on his I-797, as in this example.

My passport is in my married name. Where does my maiden name go?
Your surname and given names are typed as they are in your passport. Your maiden name goes in the other names question, as Neha lists Verma.

Should I describe my job in India if I am leaving it?
Yes. The form asks for your occupation on the day you fill it in. Neha still works as a chartered accountant, so she gives that job, and her earlier job goes on the next page.

The completed DS-160, question by question

1 Personal Information - Part 1

1.1 Surname SHARMA

1.2 Given Names NEHA

1.3 Full Name in Native Alphabet *Does Not Apply/Technology Not Available*

1.4 Have you ever used other names (i.e., maiden, religious, professional, alias, etc.)? Yes

Provide the following information:

Other Surnames Used (maiden, religious, professional, aliases, etc.)	*Other Given Names Used*
VERMA	NEHA

1.5 Do you have a telecode that represents your name? No

1.6 Sex FEMALE

1.7	Marital Status	MARRIED
1.8	Date of Birth	November 23, 1990
1.9	City of Birth	LUCKNOW
1.10	State/Province of Birth	UTTAR PRADESH
1.11	Country/Region of Birth	INDIA

2 Personal Information - Part 2

2.1	Country/Region of Origin (Nationality)	INDIA
2.2	Do you hold or have you held any nationality other than the one indicated above on nationality?	No
2.3	Are you a permanent resident of a country/region other than your country/region of origin (nationality) indicated above?	No
2.4	National Identification Number	*Does Not Apply*
2.5	U.S. Social Security Number	*Does Not Apply*
2.6	U.S. Taxpayer ID Number	*Does Not Apply*

3 Purpose of Visa

3.1	*Purpose of Visit*	
	Purpose of Trip to the U.S.	INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREE (L)
	Specify Visa	SPOUSE OF A L1 (L2)
	Principal Applicant Information	
	Surnames of Principal Applicant	SHARMA
	Given Names of Principal Applicant	ROHAN
	Petition Number or Application Receipt Number	EAC2690041883
3.2	Have you made specific travel plans?	No
	Please provide an explanation of your travel plans.	
	Arrival Date	February 11, 2027
	Intended length of stay in the U.S.	3
	Time period	YEAR(S)
3.3	*Address where you will stay in the U.S.*	
	Address Line 1	45 PARSONAGE RD
	Address Line 2	APT 2C
	City	EDISON
	State	NEW JERSEY
	Zip Code	08837
	Person/Entity Paying for Your Trip	OTHER PERSON
	Provide the following information:	
	Surnames of Person Paying for Trip	SHARMA
	Given Names of Person Paying for Trip	ROHAN
	Telephone Number	919822055164
	Email Address	ROHAN.SHARMA@EXAMPLE.COM
	Payer relationship to You	SPOUSE
	Is the address of the party paying for your trip the same as your Home or Mailing Address?	Yes

4 Travel Companions

4.1	Are there other persons traveling with you?	Yes
	Are you traveling as part of a group or organization?	No

Provide the following information for each person traveling with you:

Surnames of the person traveling with you	*Given names of the person traveling with you*	*Relationship to you*
SHARMA	ROHAN	SPOUSE
SHARMA	AARAV	CHILD

5 Previous U.S. Travel History

5.1	Have you ever been in the U.S.?	No
5.2	Have you ever been issued a U.S. Visa?	No
5.3	Have you ever been refused a U.S. Visa, or been refused admission to the United States, or withdrawn your application for admission at the port of entry?	No
5.4	Have you ever been denied travel authorization by the Department of Homeland Security through the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA)?	No
5.5	Has anyone ever filed an immigrant petition on your behalf with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services?	No

6 Address and Phone Details

6.1	*Home Address*	
	Street Address (Line 1)	FLAT 702, TOWER B, AMANORA PARK TOWN
	Street Address (Line 2)	HADAPSAR
	City	PUNE
	State/Province	MAHARASHTRA
	Postal Zone/ZIP Code	411028
	Country/Region	INDIA
6.2	Is your Mailing Address the same as your Home Address?	Yes
6.3	*Phone*	
	Primary Phone Number	919822055188
	Secondary Phone Number	*Does not apply*
	Work Phone Number	912066550175
6.4	Have you used any other phone numbers in the last five years?	No
6.5	Email Address	NEHA.SHARMA@EXAMPLE.COM
6.6	Have you used any other email addresses in the last five years?	No
6.7	*Social Media*	

Social Media Provider/Platform	*Link to Social Media Profile*
INSTAGRAM	HTTPS://WWW.INSTAGRAM.COM/NEHA.SHARMA.PUNE/

6.8	Do you wish to provide information about your presence on any other websites or applications you have used within the last five years to create or share content (photos, videos, status updates, etc.)?	No

7 Passport Information

7.1	Passport/Travel Document Type	REGULAR
7.2	Passport/Travel Document Number	W3816402
7.3	Passport Book Number	*Does not apply*
7.4	Country/Authority that Issued Passport/ Travel Document	INDIA
7.5	*Where was the Passport/Travel Document Issued?*	
	City	PUNE
	State/Province *If shown on passport	MAHARASHTRA
	Country/Region	INDIA
	Issuance Date	October 8, 2021
	Expiration Date	October 7, 2031
7.6	Have you ever lost a passport or had one stolen?	No

8 US Contact Information

8.1	*Contact Person or Organization in the United States*	
	Contact Person	
	Surnames	MILLER
	Given Names	JENNIFER
	Organization Name	
	Organization Name	NILGIRI DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC
8.2	Relationship To You	U.S. PETITIONER

9 Family Information

9.1	*Father's Full Name and Date of Birth*	
	Surnames	VERMA
	Given Names	ANIL
	Date of Birth	February 27, 1961
	Is your father in the U.S.?	No
9.2	*Mother's Full Name and Date of Birth*	
	Surnames	VERMA
	Given Names	MEENA
	Date of Birth	August 15, 1964
	Is your mother in the U.S.?	No
9.3	Do you have any immediate relatives, not including parents, in the United States?	No
	Do you have any other relatives in the United States?	No

10 Spouse Information

10.1	Spouse's Surname (Including Maiden Name)	SHARMA
10.2	Spouse's Given Name	ROHAN

10.3	Spouse's Date of Birth	February 14, 1988
10.4	Spouse's Country/Region of Origin	INDIA
10.5	*Spouse's Place of Birth*	
	City	JAIPUR
	Country	INDIA
10.6	Type of Address Where Spouse Lives	SAME AS HOME ADDRESS

11 Current Occupation

11.1	Primary Occupation	BUSINESS
	Present Employer or School Information	
	Present Employer or School Name	KALE AND JOSHI CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
	Present Employer or School Address	
	Street Address (Line 1)	OFFICE 4, SHRIRAM CHAMBERS
	Street Address (Line 2)	PRABHAT ROAD
	City	PUNE
	State/Province	MAHARASHTRA
	Postal Zone / ZIP Code	411004
	Country / Region	INDIA
	Phone Number	912066550175
	Start Date	June 29, 2017
	Monthly Income in Local Currency (if employed)	145000
	Briefly describe your duties	AUDIT AND PREPARE TAX RETURNS FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM BUSINESS CLIENTS; REVIEW THE WORK OF TWO JUNIOR ACCOUNTANTS; ADVISE CLIENTS ON GST FILINGS

12 Previous Occupation

12.1	Were you previously employed?	Yes
	Employer/Employment Information:	
	Employer Name	MEHTA AND ASSOCIATES
	Employer Address	
	Employer Street Address (Line 1)	HAZRATGANJ
	Employer Street Address (Line 2)	*Not answered*
	City/Town	LUCKNOW
	State/Province	UTTAR PRADESH
	Postal Zone/ZIP Code	226001
	Country	INDIA
	Employer Telephone Number	915225550140
	Job Title	ARTICLED ASSISTANT
	Supervisor's Surname	MEHTA
	Supervisor's Given Names	RAKESH
	Employment Date From	August 25, 2012
	Employment Date To	June 24, 2017
	Briefly describe your duties	ASSISTED WITH STATUTORY AUDITS AND TAX FILINGS FOR CLIENTS WHILE COMPLETING CHARTERED ACCOUNTANCY TRAINING
12.2	Have you attended any educational institutions at a secondary level or above?	Yes
	Provide the following information on the educational institution(s) you have attended.	
	Name of Institution	UNIVERSITY OF LUCKNOW
	Address	
	Street Address (Line 1)	UNIVERSITY ROAD

Street Address (Line 2)	*Not answered*
City	LUCKNOW
State/Province	UTTAR PRADESH
Postal Zone/ZIP Code	226007
Country	INDIA
Course of Study	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE
Date of Attendance From	July 25, 2008
Date of Attendance To	May 24, 2011

13 Additional Occupation Details

13.1	Do you belong to a clan or tribe?	No
13.2	*Provide a List of Languages You Speak*	

Language Name
HINDI
ENGLISH

13.3	Have you traveled to any countries/ regions within the last five years?	Yes
	Provide a List of Countries/Regions Visited	

Country/Region
SINGAPORE

13.4	Have you belonged to, contributed to, or worked for any professional, social, or charitable organization?	No
13.5	Do you have any specialized skills or training, such as firearms, explosives, nuclear, biological, or chemical experience?	No
13.6	Have you ever served in the military?	No
13.7	Have you ever served in, been a member of, or been involved with a paramilitary unit, vigilante unit, rebel group, guerrilla group, or insurgent organization?	No

14 Security Background - Part 1

14.1	Do you have a communicable disease of public health significance? (Communicable diseases of public significance include chancroid, gonorrhea, granuloma inguinale, infectious leprosy, lymphogranuloma venereum, infectious stage syphilis, active tuberculosis, and other diseases as determined by the Department of Health and Human Services.)	No
14.2	Do you have a mental or physical disorder that poses or is likely to pose a threat to the safety or welfare of yourself or others?	No
14.3	Are you or have you ever been a drug abuser or addict?	No

15 Security Background - Part 2

15.1	Have you ever been arrested or convicted for any offense or crime, even though subject of a pardon, amnesty, or other similar action?	No
15.2	Have you ever violated, or engaged in a conspiracy to violate, any law relating to controlled substances?	No
15.3	Are you coming to the United States to engage in prostitution or unlawful commercialized vice or have you been engaged in prostitution or procuring prostitutes within the past 10 years?	No
15.4	Have you ever been involved in, or do you seek to engage in, money laundering?	No
15.5	Have you ever committed or conspired to commit a human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States?	No
15.6	Have you ever knowingly aided, abetted, assisted or colluded with an individual who has committed, or conspired to commit a severe human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States?	No
15.7	Are you the spouse, son, or daughter of an individual who has committed or conspired to commit a human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States and have you within the last five years, knowingly benefited from the trafficking activities?	No

16 Security Background - Part 3

16.1	Do you seek to engage in espionage, sabotage, export control violations, or any other illegal activity while in the United States?	No
16.2	Do you seek to engage in terrorist activities while in the United States or have you ever engaged in terrorist activities?	No
16.3	Have you ever or do you intend to provide financial assistance or other support to terrorists or terrorist organizations?	No
16.4	Are you a member or representative of a terrorist organization?	No

16.5	Are you the spouse, son, or daughter of an individual who has engaged in terrorist activity, including providing financial assistance or other support to terrorists or terrorist organizations, in the last five years?	No
16.6	Have you ever ordered, incited, committed, assisted, or otherwise participated in genocide?	No
16.7	Have you ever committed, ordered, incited, assisted, or otherwise participated in torture?	No
16.8	Have you committed, ordered, incited, assisted, or otherwise participated in extrajudicial killings, political killings, or other acts of violence?	No
16.9	Have you ever engaged in the recruitment or the use of child soldiers?	No
16.10	Have you, while serving as a government official, been responsible for or directly carried out, at any time, particularly severe violations of religious freedom?	No
16.11	Have you ever been directly involved in the establishment or enforcement of population controls forcing a woman to undergo an abortion against her free choice or a man or a woman to undergo sterilization against his or her free will?	No
16.12	Have you ever been directly involved in the coercive transplantation of human organs or bodily tissue?	No

17 Security Background - Part 4

17.1	Have you ever been the subject of a removal or deportation hearing?	No
17.2	Have you ever sought to obtain or assist others to obtain a visa, entry into the United States, or any other United States immigration benefit by fraud or willful misrepresentation or other unlawful means?	No
17.3	Have you failed to attend a hearing on removability or inadmissibility within the last five years?	No
17.4	Have you ever been unlawfully present, overstayed the amount of time granted by an immigration official or otherwise violated the terms of a U.S. visa?	No
17.5	Have you ever been removed or deported from any country?	No

18 Security Background - Part 5

18.1	Have you ever withheld custody of a U.S. citizen child outside the United States from a person granted legal custody by a U.S. court?	No
18.2	Have you voted in the United States in violation of any law or regulation?	No
18.3	Have you ever renounced United States citizenship for the purposes of avoiding taxation?	No
18.4	Are you a former exchange visitor (J) who has not yet fulfilled the two-year foreign residence requirement?	No
18.5	Have you attended a public elementary school on student (F) status or a public secondary school after November 30, 1996 without reimbursing the school?	No

19 Preparer of Application

19.1 Did anyone assist you in filling out this application? — Yes

Preparer Details

Preparer's Surnames	RAO
Preparer's Given Names	SUNITA
Organization Name	GLOBAL MOBILITY PARTNERS LLP
Street Address (Line 1)	12 RESIDENCY ROAD
Street Address (Line 2)	*Not answered*
City	BENGALURU
State/Province	KARNATAKA
Postal Zone/ZIP Code	560025
Country/Region	INDIA
Relationship To You	IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT

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