**COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE TO ENTER US FOR 90 DAY OR LESS UNDER VISA WAIVER PROGRAM (VWP)**

If your visitor is coming for a visit for your research and they are from one of the countries below, they will not require a visa if they are have valid Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) approval prior to travel. For more information, see [State Dept. Visa](http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/without/without_1990.html#overview) site.

**Citizen or National of a VWP Designated Country**

You must be a citizen or national of VWP-participant country. The following 37 countries are Visa Waiver Program participants:

Currently, 37 countries participate in the Visa Waiver Program, as shown below:

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| Andorra | Hungary | New Zealand |
| Australia | Iceland | Norway |
| Austria | Ireland | Portugal |
| Belgium | Italy | San Marino |
| Brunei | Japan | Singapore |
| Czech Republic | Latvia | Slovakia |
| Denmark | Liechtenstein | Slovenia |
| Estonia | Lithuania | South Korea |
| Finland | Luxembourg | Spain |
| France | Malta | Sweden |
| Germany | Monaco | Switzerland |
| Greece | the Netherlands | Taiwan (see [note](http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/without/without_1990.html#note) below) |
|  |  | United Kingdom |

With respect to all references to “country” or “countries” on this page, it should be noted that the Taiwan Relations Act of 1979, Pub. L. No. 96-8, Section 4(b)(1), provides that “[w]henever the laws of the United States refer or relate to foreign countries, nations, states, governments, or similar entities, such terms shall include and such laws shall apply with respect to Taiwan.” 22 U.S.C. § 3303(b)(1). Accordingly, all references to “country” or “countries” in the Visa Waiver Program authorizing legislation, Section 217 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. 1187, are read to include Taiwan. This is consistent with the United States’ one-China policy, under which the United States has maintained unofficial relations with Taiwan since 1979.