Exchange Visitor Cultural Programming Plan

Name of Visitor: ______________________________

The US Department of State (DOS) views the J visa program as an educational AND cultural exchange. They are very concerned that in some cases the J visa is being used primarily as a work visa.

As a sponsor UT must be recertified every two years and file an annual report that now requires more detailed information regarding the cultural programming portion/offering of each visit. CIE will be doing more cultural programming targeted at visiting professors and researchers and we will report on that but host professors/departments are also responsible for planning a cultural component so that information can also be reported to DOS.

The cultural component may consist of any activity that is outside the agreed to research/educational program and normal duties. The cultural component should not appear to be done only in a visitor’s spare time away from the primary work, but should be an integral part of the visit so that the visitor will be encouraged through planned activities to be exposed to a broad range of US culture.

On campus activities would include but not be limited to: theater, movies, lectures, sporting events, concerts, seminars etc. that are normal offerings available to anyone associated with UT and /or the public. Also, departmental activities that are more of a social nature.

Off campus activities would include but not be limited to: visits to national and/or state parks, visits to historic sites, being introduced to UT clubs that may offer hiking, biking, etc., attending local festivals and cultural events (i.e. Greek Fest)

Please describe the cultural components of this visit:

Host Name Printed: ______________________________ Signature: ______________________________

Date: ______________________________