



**Travel &
Visa
Webinar
Fall 2023**

Workshop Overview

- F-1/J-1 Document Review
- Automatic Revalidation (Travel to Mexico/Canada)
- Entry or Re-entry to the U.S.
- Travel Q&A
- Visa Process Overview
- Visa Process Q & A

Is this webinar for me?

- You have an I-20 or DS-2019 from UC Berkeley
- You are a continuing F-1/J-1 Degree-seeking Student or UCEAP Exchange Student
 - A J-1 student has one of the following categories listed in Section 4 of the DS-2019: STUDENT-NON-DEGREE, STUDENT BACHELORS, STUDENT MASTERS OR STUDENT DOCTORATE.
- You are NOT a J-1 Scholar, post-doc, or Visiting Student Researcher
- You have questions about current travel and immigration requirements!
- Other questions: Employment, changing visa categories, academic issues? Please meet with a BIO advisor!

F-1/J-1 Entry Requirements

Required Entry Documents- Enrolled Students

Be prepared to present the following documents to the CBP Officer when you arrive in the US:

- Passport (valid for at least 6 months into the future) with a valid nonimmigrant visa (if applicable)
- Printed & signed, original form [I-20](#) or [DS-2019](#) with valid travel signature within *12 months* of entry date
- Evidence of financial resources (see [Required Funding Documentation](#))
- Proof of UC Berkeley enrollment (current students)
- Proof of [SEVIS fee payment](#)

Officers may ask you questions about your reason for entering the U.S., where you are traveling, or about your academic program.

If you encounter problems at entry, please contact BIO as soon as possible:

<http://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/contact-us>

See full details on the [Travel & Re-Entry page](#)



Entry to the U.S. on F-1 OPT/STEM OPT

F-1 Students with pending OPT/STEM OPT applications

- Valid Passport
- Valid F-1 Visa Stamp
- I-20 with BIO travel endorsement *within the last 6 months*
- I-797 Notice of Action Receipt
- Proof of funding
- Job offer letter recommended

F-1 Students with approved OPT/STEM OPT

- Valid Passport
- Valid F-1 Visa Stamp
- I-20 with travel endorsement *within the last 6 months*
- EAD card
- Proof of employment (job offer or employment verification letter)
- Proof of funding (salary)

See full details on the [OPT travel page](#)

Entry to the U.S. on J-1 Academic Training

- Valid Passport
- Valid Visa Stamp
- DS-2019 w/Academic Training details *and* recent travel endorsement (within 12 months) from BIO
- BIO AT Verification letter
- Employment Verification letter from employer
- Proof of financial support for J-1 and any J-2 dependents (May be included in employer letter, if indicating sufficient salary)



See full details on the [J-1 Academic Training page](#)

F-1/J-1 Document Review

Passport

Must be valid at least 6 months into the future, 12 months recommended.

Can be renewed inside the United States.

If yours will expire soon, contact your [home country's embassy](#) in the United States



I-20

DS-2019

Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status
OMB NO. 1653-0038

SEVIS ID: N0004705512 (F-1) NAME: John Doe Smith

EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION

EMPLOYMENT STATUS: TYPE

EMPLOYMENT START DATE: EMPLOYMENT END DATE

EMPLOYER NAME: EMPLOYER LOCATION

COMMENTS

CHANGE OF STATUS/CAP-GAP EXTENSION

REQUESTED VISA TYPE: REQUEST/PETITION STATUS: RECEIPT NUMBER: BENEFIT START DATE/REQUEST DATE

EVENT HISTORY

EVENT NAME: EVENT DATE

OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

AUTHORIZATION: START DATE: END DATE

TRAVEL ENDORSEMENT

This page when properly endorsed, may be used for reentry of the student to attend the same school after a temporary absence from the United States. Each certification signature is valid for one year.

SCHOOL OFFICIAL	TITLE	SIGNATURE	DATE ISSUED	PLACE ISSUED
Ima N Advisor	DSO	Ima N Advisor	9/28/2016	Berkeley, CA

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Travel signature

U.S. Department of State
CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR EXCHANGE VISITOR STATUS (J-NONIMMIGRANT)

OMB APPROVAL NO 1455-0119
06/16/2017
ESTIMATED BURDEN TIME: 45 min
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Date of Birth: 04-10-1981 City of Birth: Linzhou, Shandong Country of Birth: CHINA Citizenship Country Code: CH Citizenship Country: CHINA Gender: MALE
J-1

Legal Permanent Residence Country Code: CHINA Residence Country: CHINA Exchange Category Code: 214 Exchange Category: UNIVERSITY GRADUATE STUDENTS
Primary Site of Activity: UC Berkeley Campus 1938 Cory Hall Dept of MBS Berkeley, CA 94720-2768

Program Sponsor: UNIVERSITY of California at Berkeley Program Number: P-1-00352
Participating Program Official Description: PROFESSOR; RESEARCH SCHOLAR; SHORT-TERM SCHOLAR; SPECIALIST; STUDENT ASSOCIATE; STUDENT BACHELORS; STUDENT DOCTORATE; STUDENT INTERN; STUDENT MASTER'S; STUDENT NON-DEGREE

Purpose of this form: Extend an on-going program

3. Form Covers Period: From (mm-dd-yyyy): 07-01-2013 To (mm-dd-yyyy): 11-01-2017
4. Exchange Visitor Category: RESEARCH SCHOLAR Subject/Field Code: 40.0503 Subject/Field Code Remarks: Research in Environmental Chemistry

5. During the period covered by this form, the total estimated financial support (in U.S. \$) to be provided to the exchange visitor by:
Current Program Sponsor funds: \$144,393.00
Lawrence Berkeley National Lab: \$149,989.00
Total: \$294,382.00

6. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DS) USE OR CERTIFICATION BY RESPONSIBLE OFFICER OR ALTERNATE RESPONSIBLE OFFICER THAT A NOTIFICATION COPY OF THIS FORM HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (INCLUDE DATE)

Nicole Schwab
Name of Official Preparing Form: Berkeley International Office 2299 Piedmont Ave., Berkeley, CA 94704-1480
Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: *Nicole Schwab*
Date (mm-dd-yyyy): 09-17-2016
Alternate Responsible Officer: Title: 510-643-2422 Telephone Number: 09-17-2016 Date (mm-dd-yyyy):

8. Statement of Responsible Officer for Releasing Sponsor (FOR TRANSFER OF PROGRAM OFFICE USE ONLY) (mm-dd-yyyy): 11-02-2015 Title of this exchange visitor from program number: P-1-00352 sponsored by: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
Supervisor: Yuesheng Tang
Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: _____ Date (mm-dd-yyyy) of Signature: _____

PRELIMINARY ENDORSEMENT OF CONSULS OR IMMIGRATION OFFICER REGARDING SECTION 1(b)(2) OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT AND PL 94-484, AS AMENDED (see item 1(a) of page 2):
The Exchange Visitor in the above program:
1. Not subject to the two-year residence requirement.
 Subject to the two-year residence requirement based on:
A. Government financing under:
B. The Exchange Visitor Skills Law and/or
C. PL 94-484 as amended.
(ALL LEGAL PARTICIPANTS GO-ONS AND ALL ALIEN PHYSICIANS SPONSORED BY J-1/DS-2019 ARE SUBJECT TO THE TWO-YEAR HOME RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT.)

TRAVEL VALIDATION BY RESPONSIBLE OFFICER (Maximum validation period is 1 year)
*EXCEPT: Maximum validation period is 2 years for Short-term Scholar and Law and Government Counselors and Short-term Travel.
(1) Exchange Visitor is in good standing at the present time.
(2) Exchange Visitor is in good standing at the present time.
Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: *Nicole Schwab*
Date (mm-dd-yyyy): 9/19/2016

THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE FINAL DETERMINATION REGARDING 212(b)
EXCHANGE VISITOR CERTIFICATION: I have read and agree with the statement in item 2 on page 2 of this document.
Signature of Applicant: _____ Place: _____ Date (mm-dd-yyyy): _____

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I-20/DS-2019 Travel Endorsement

- If you are a student returning to the US after travel, your [I-20](#) or [DS-2019](#) needs a valid travel endorsement for re-entry
- The travel endorsement is valid for 12 months**
- *OPT or STEM OPT students- travel endorsement is only valid for 6 months!

J-1s: Check your DS-2019 on page 1 in the “Travel Validation” box.

F-1s: Check your I-20 on page 2 in the “Travel Endorsement” section.

TRAVEL ENDORSEMENT

This page, when properly endorsed, may be used for re-entry of the student to attend the same school after a temporary absence from the United States. Each endorsement is valid for one year.

Designated School Official	TITLE	SIGNATURE	DATE ISSUED	PLACE ISSUED
Ima N Advisor	DSO	Ima N Advisor	9/29/2021	Berkeley, CA

TRAVEL VALIDATION BY RESPONSIBLE OFFICER

(Maximum validation period is 1 year*)

*EXCEPT: Maximum validation period is up to 6 months for Short-term Scholars and 4 months for Camp Counselors and Summer Work/Travel.

(1) Exchange Visitor is in good standing at the present time

12/07/2020

Date (mm-dd-yyyy)

Ima N Advisor

Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer

(2) Exchange Visitor is in good standing at the present time

Date (mm-dd-yyyy)

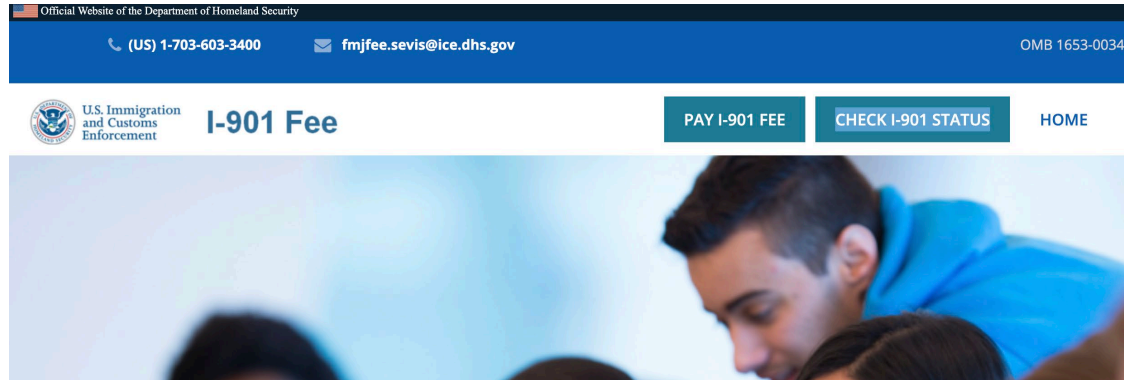
Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer

How do I get a new travel signature?

1. Sign in for [Drop-In Virtual Advising](#) and receive a same-day electronic travel signature during your Virtual Advising session. See the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) on this page for how to prepare.
2. Visit our [In-Person Drop-in Advising hours](#) for a same-day travel signature.
3. Submit a [Replacement Document request \(#13\)](#) to receive a new I-20 or DS-2019 with a new travel endorsement. (Note: BIO has a 5 business day processing time!).
4. Drop off your I-20 or DS-2019 at [Berkeley International Office](#). Your I-20/DS-2019 with an updated travel signature will be ready for you to pick up 5 business days later.
5. Attend an upcoming [Travel Signature day event](#) and receive a same-day travel signature! **December 5 - In-person at BIO from 10am - 12pm, December 6 - Virtual at 1pm - 4pm**

SEVIS Fee Payment

SEVIS: Student and Exchange Visitor Information System



You made this payment after receiving your SEVIS ID for the **FIRST TIME**. You'll need proof of the payment for future visa interview or entry to the US.

You only pay this fee once for the SEVIS record. If you have already paid the fee, you'll just need your receipt!

1. Go to www.fmjfee.com
2. Click "Check I-901 Status"
3. Follow instructions to look up your fee payment and print receipt.

F-1 Post-completion OPT/STEM Students

EAD Card



I-797 receipt (if EAD not yet approved)

Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

I-797C, Notice of Action

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Applicant: **Specimen, Maxwell T.** Date of Birth: **01/01/1920**
I-903 ID: **080-000-811** I-903 Category Code: **C09**
I-903 Expiration Date: **05/10/2011** I-903 Status: **Unexpired**

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS: **MAXWELL T. SPECIMEN
123 MAIN STREET NW
COURT HOUSE MA 02108**

PAYMENT INFORMATION:
Application Fee: \$150.00
I-903 Renewal Fee: \$100.00
I-903 Extension Fee: \$100.00

The above information pertains to the applicant for the period of time shown.
Please verify your personal information (name, date of birth and nationality) with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services office at the place number listed below if there are any changes.
Remember that if you are also a resident of this country, the policies listed on the back of this document apply.
If you have questions about possible immigration benefits and services, filing applications or I-903 forms, please call the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) at 1-800-375-5282. A fee will be charged for certain services of the USCIS Call Center (1-800-375-5282). Please do not call 1-800-375-5282 for general information.
If you have any questions or comments regarding this notice or the status of your case, please contact the nearest USCIS office.
You will be notified immediately should we have any changes to your file.

USCIS Form I-797C
I-797C
Printed Notice Expires
05/10/2011
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
2010-01-01

USCIS Form I-797C
I-797C
Printed Notice Expires
05/10/2011
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
2010-01-01

Barcode

I-94 Admission Information



Passport
Admission
Stamp &
Electronic I-94

U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Securing America's Borders

Get I-94 Number: **I94IAD**

Admission (I-94) Number Retrieval

Admission (I-94) Record Number: 81000888083

Admit Until Date (MM/DD/YYYY): 0/3

Details provided on Admission(I-94) form:

Family Name:	LI
First (Given) Name:	LYDIA
Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	04/01/1990
Passport Number:	P823123213
Passport Country of Issuance:	Mexico
Date of Entry (MM/DD/YYYY):	09/13/2012
Class of Admission:	J1

Individuals can visit www.cbp.gov/I94 to retrieve a copy of their electronic Form I-94.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

OMB No. #####

Departure Record
Admission Number
123456789 01



18. Family Name

19. First (Given) Name

20. Birth Date (DD/MM/YY)

21. Country of Citizenship

See Other Side

CBP Form I-94
STAPLE HERE

Paper I-94 Form

See full details on the [Understanding Your I-94](#) page

Travel to Canada/Mexico: Automatic Visa Revalidation

- Allows re-entry to the U.S. with an *expired* U.S. visa stamp in a valid passport
- Travel to Canada, Mexico & adjacent islands only*
- Travel outside of the US must be 30 days or less
- Keep the Paper Form I-94 when departing the U.S. (if applicable)
- Do you need a visa to enter Canada or Mexico?



* For comprehensive list of adjacent islands, visit <https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/travel-canada-and-mexico>

Automatic Revalidation

- Automatic Revalidation does not apply to students or scholars:
 - Who apply for a visa in Canada, Mexico or adjacent islands.
 - Who are from Iran, Sudan, North Korea or Syria.
 - Who are returning to the U.S. after program has ended.
 - Who entered the U.S. under the Visa Waiver Program.
- Attempting to enter the U.S. with automatic revalidation when ineligible is fraud!

Preparing for Arrival

- Carry all required documents with you, not in your checked bag!
- If possible, arrive during BIO Office hours Monday-Friday from 10-12 or 1-4pm. If you have a problem during arrival, request that CBP call BIO.
- Do not bring any [restricted items](#). Make sure you follow rules regarding travel with medications, food, or pets.
- Medical and recreational marijuana remains **illegal** under U.S. federal law. Possession or use may result in deportation or incarceration.
- It is **illegal** to bring drug paraphernalia into the United States, unless prescribed for authentic medical conditions such as diabetes.
- Be aware that U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) may inspect your electronic devices.
- See the ACLU's tips regarding precautions you can take to [prepare your devices for travel](#).



Visa Process Overview

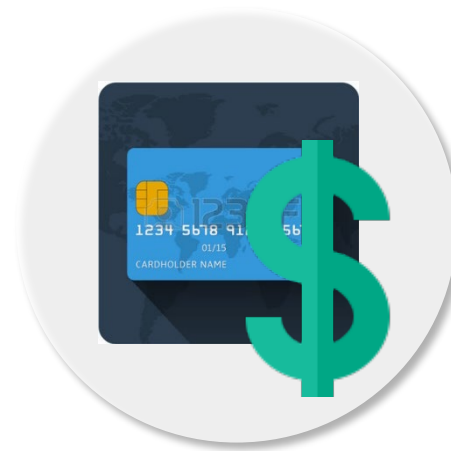
The Application Process



(NEW/READMITTED STUDENTS)
Submit the online [Non-Immigrant Information Form \(NIF\)](#)



(NEW/READMITTED STUDENTS)
Berkeley International Office issues your new [I-20](#) or [DS-2019](#).



(NEW/READMITTED STUDENTS)
Pay [SEVIS fee](#)



Complete online visa application
(Form DS-160)



Receive passport back with visa



Attend visa interview



Schedule visa interview
appointment



Pay visa application fee

Apply Early

Visa Processing time

- Wait times for visa appointments and processing vary by location; apply as early as possible to avoid delays.
- Find your consulate location and [current wait times](#).

Visa application fees, forms and appointment scheduling are all accessible online



Receive the I-20 or DS-2019

Pay the SEVIS fee

Complete the visa application form

Pay the visa application fee

Schedule visa interview appointment

Attend visa interview

Receive visa

Your I-20 or DS-2019

- Certificate of Eligibility; Allows you to apply for an F-1 or J-1 student visa.
- Contains details about you, your school, and program of study.

SEVIS ID number is located in the top right corner.

F-1

Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status
OMB NO. 1653-0038

SEVIS ID: N0004705512

SURNAME/PRIMARY NAME Doe Smith	GIVEN NAME John	F-1 ACADEMIC AND LANGUAGE
PREFERRED NAME John Doe-Smith	PASSPORT NAME	
COUNTRY OF BIRTH UNITED KINGDOM	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP UNITED KINGDOM	
DATE OF BIRTH 01 JANUARY 1990	ADMISSION NUMBER	
FORM ISSUE REASON INITIAL ADMISSION	LEGACY NAME John Doe-Smith	
INITIAL ADMISSION		

SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL NAME SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies	SCHOOL ADDRESS 9002 Nancy Lane, Ft. Washington, MD 20744
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J-1

OMB APPROVAL NO. 1445-0119
EXPIRES: 02-28-2005
ESTIMATED BURDEN TIME: 45 min
(See Page 2)

CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR EXCHANGE VISITOR (J-1) STATUS

1. Family Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Gender: **MALE**

Date of Birth (mm-dd-yyyy): _____ City of Birth: _____ Country of Birth: **GERMANY** Citizenship Country Code: **GM** Citizenship Country: **GERMANY** **N0001 2**

Legal Permanent Residence Country Code: _____ Legal Permanent Residence Country: _____ Position Code: **215** Position: **UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**

U.S. Address: **2299 Piedmont Berkeley, CA 94720-2321**

2. Program Sponsor: **University of California at Berkeley** Exchange Visitor Program Number: **P-1-00352**

Participating Program Official Description: **PROFESSOR; RESEARCH SCHOLAR; SHORT-TERM SCHOLAR; SPECIALIST; STUDENT ASSOCIATE; STUDENT BACHELORS; STUDENT DOCTORATE; STUDENT MASTERS; STUDENT NON-DEGREE**

Purpose of this form: **Begin new program; accompanied by number (0) of immediate family members.**

3. Form Covers Period: From (mm-dd-yyyy): **08-30-2004** To (mm-dd-yyyy): **05-20-2005** 4. Exchange Visitor Category: **STUDENT NON-DEGREE**

SubjectField Code: **24.0199** SubjectField Code Description: **Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Studies and Humanities—College**

5. During the period covered by this form, the total estimated financial support (U.S. \$) to be provided to the exchange visitor by:

Personal Funds: **\$7,500.00**
Total: **\$11,500.00**

6. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE / INS USE OR CERTIFICATION BY RESPONSIBLE OFFICER THAT A NOTIFICATION COPY OF THIS FORM HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (INCLUDE DATE): _____

7. **Rachael Weber** Name of Official Preparing Form: _____ Title: **Alternate Responsible Officer**

8555 at J-House
2299 Piedmont Ave.
Berkeley, CA 94720
Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: _____ Telephone Number: **510-642-2891**
Date (mm-dd-yyyy): **05-28-2004**

8. Statement of Responsible Officer for Releasing Sponsor (FOR TRANSFER OF PROGRAM)
Effective date (mm-dd-yyyy): _____ Transfer of this exchange visitor from program number _____ sponsored by _____ to the program specified in item 2 is necessary or highly desirable and is in conformity with the objectives of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended.

Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: _____ Date (mm-dd-yyyy) of Signature: _____

ICE Form

PRELIMINARY ENDORSEMENT OF CONSULAR OR IMMIGRATION OFFICER REGARDING SECTION 212(a) OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT AND PL 94-484, AS AMENDED (See Item 1(a) of page 2).

The Exchange Visitor in the above program:

Not subject to the two-year residence requirement.

Subject to two-year residence requirement based on:

A. Government financing and/or

B. The Exchange Visitor Skills List and/or

C. PL 94-484 as amended

(ALL USAID PARTICIPANTS 6-24263 AND ALL ALIEN PHYSICIANS SPONSORED BY 6-24263 ARE SUBJECT TO THE TWO-YEAR HOME RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT)

Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature of Consular or Immigration Officer: _____ Date (mm-dd-yyyy): _____

THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE FINAL DETERMINATION REGARDING 212(a).

EXCHANGE VISITOR CERTIFICATION: I have read and agree with the statement on item 2 on page 2 of this document.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Place: _____ Date (mm-dd-yyyy): _____

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Receive the I-20 or DS-2019

Pay the SEVIS fee

Complete the visa application form

Pay the visa application fee

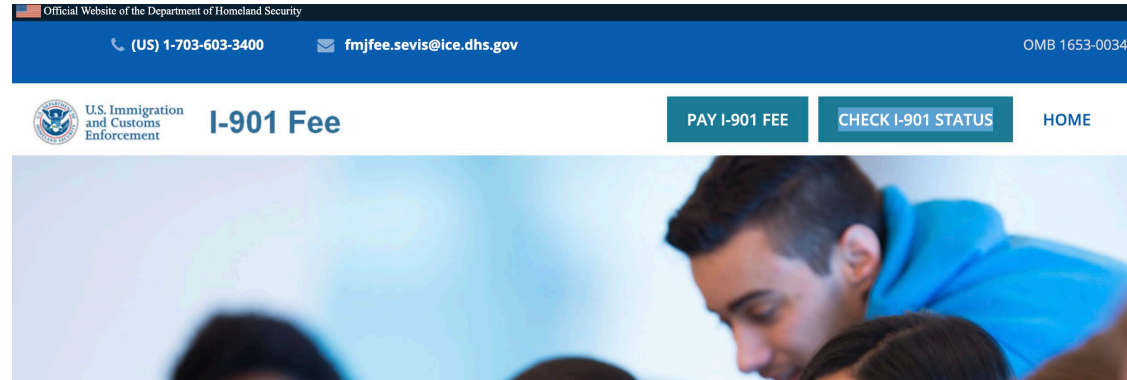
Schedule visa interview appointment

Attend visa interview

Receive visa

SEVIS Fee Payment

SEVIS: Student and Exchange Visitor Information System



You made this payment after receiving your SEVIS ID for the FIRST TIME. You'll need proof of the payment for future visa interview or entry to the US.

You only pay this fee once for the SEVIS record. If you have already paid the fee, you'll just need your receipt!

1. Go to www.fmjfee.com
2. Click "Check I-901 Status"
3. Follow instructions to look up your fee payment and print receipt.

Receive the I-20 or DS-2019

Pay the SEVIS fee

Complete the visa application form

Pay the visa application fee

Schedule visa interview appointment

Attend visa interview

Receive visa

Find the U.S. Embassy or Consulate near you

Go to www.usembassy.gov.

Check your local embassy or consulate's website for specific visa application instructions.

Look for instructions to apply for a **Non-Immigrant Visa**

The U.S. Embassy website may link you to a 3rd party website for visa application instructions.

APPLY FOR A U.S. VISA in India

Home Login Contact Us FAQ

Important Notice will be updated here:

APPLY FOR A U.S. VISA

Log In

Create Account

Current Consular Exchange Rate : 84.00 INR = 1 USD

Current Rate Valid Through : 27/02/2015

Recent Activity

Log In Log In to Facebook to see what your friends are doing.

APPLY FOR A U.S. VISA

We welcome visitors from around the globe who wish to travel to the United States.

At this website, you can learn about obtaining a visa, as well as apply for your visa.

Here you will learn:

- How to apply for your nonimmigrant visa for travel to the United States
- What documents, photos and information you need to apply for your visa
- How to access visa application forms and instructions
- How to pay your visa application fee
- Schedule your interview at a U.S. Embassy or Consulate General
- Find important information about U.S. Embassies and Consulates General

Choose your specific location by clicking on the map below.

Receive the I-20 or DS-2019

Pay the SEVIS fee

Complete the visa application form

Pay the visa application fee

Schedule visa interview appointment

Attend visa interview

Receive visa

Form DS-160

Online visa application form for all non-immigrant visas.

- NOTE: Visas cannot be issued from inside the United States. You must be **physically present** in the country in which you are applying for the visa.
- Select your embassy location first.
- When completed, print the confirmation page with a barcode when complete.

U.S. VISAS
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE · BUREAU OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS

Tourism & Visit Business Employment Study & Exchange Immigrate Other Travel Set Location Set Nationality

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE
CONSULAR ELECTRONIC APPLICATION CENTER

Online Nonimmigrant Visa Application (DS-160)

Confirmation

This confirms the submission of the Nonimmigrant visa application for:

Applicant photo	Name Provided: DOE, JANET Date Of Birth: 05 JUL 1987 Place of Birth: LONDON, GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND Gender: Female Country/Region of Origin (Nationality): GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND Passport Number: 452145211 Purpose of Travel: BUSINESS/PERSONAL (B1/B2) Completed On: 11 SEP 2013 Confirmation No: AA003JA4CE	Location Selected: LND U.S. Embassy - London 24 Grosvenor Square London, W1A 2LQ United Kingdom
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Version 01.02.01

THIS IS NOT A VISA

Print Confirmation Print Application Email Confirmation

Note: Electronically submitting your DS-160 online application is the FIRST STEP in the visa application process. The next step is to review the internet page of the consulate or embassy where you plan to apply for your visa. Most visa applicants will need to schedule a visa interview, though some applicants may qualify for visa renewal. The consulate or embassy information may include specific local instructions about scheduling interviews, submitting your visa application, and other frequently asked questions.

YOU MUST BRING the confirmation page and the following document(s) with you at all steps during the application process:
Passport
You may also provide any additional documents you feel will support your case.

Instructions

YOU MUST SUBMIT the confirmation page with a clear and legible barcode at the time of your interview. If you do not have access to a printer at this time, select the option to email your confirmation page to an email address. You may print or email your application for your own records. **YOU DO NOT** need to submit the application at the time of the interview.

Please note that you will be required to provide proof that you have paid the visa application fee and any other fees associated with your application. There may be other fees associated with the visa application process. Please check your country's [Embassy Schedule](#) for any other fees you may owe.

If you have further questions, or to find out how to contact the Consular Post, please go to <http://hawaii.usembassy.gov/>, or <http://03.usdo.state.gov/>.

More Information

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- What is a U.S. Visa?
- Diversity Visa Program
- Visa Waiver Program
- Fraud Warning
- Find a U.S. Embassy or Consulate

In the United States

Discover America

ABOUT VISAS - THE BASICS
FAQS

Receive the I-20 or DS-2019

Pay the SEVIS fee

Complete the visa application form

Pay the visa application fee

Schedule visa interview appointment

Attend visa interview

Receive visa

DS-160 Tips

U.S. Point of Contact:

- [Berkeley International Office](#)- you can use our address/phone and the name of the DSO on your I-20/DS-2019
- U.S.-based Family member or friend

Address where you will stay in the U.S.

- It's okay if you don't know where you will live long-term
- Provide an address where you may stay when you first arrive (hotel, friend's house, etc)

Photo

- Upload your photo while completing the online Form DS-160.
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- Check the [photo guidelines](#) on the official website

The screenshot shows the U.S. Department of State Consular Electronic Application Center (CEAC) website. The top navigation bar includes "Contact Us", "Help", and "Exit". The language is set to "DEUTSCH (GERMAN)". The main header displays the U.S. Department of State logo and the text "U.S. DEPARTMENT of STATE CONSULAR ELECTRONIC APPLICATION CENTER". Below the header, there are tabs for "COMPLETE", "PHOTO", "REVIEW", and "SIGN". The current page is titled "Online Nonimmigrant Visa Application (DS-160)" and shows the "Personal Information 1" section. The application ID is "Application ID: [redacted]". The OMB CONTROL NUMBER is "1405-0182", the FORM NUMBER is "DS-160", the EXPIRATION DATE is "8/31/2017", and the ESTIMATED BURDEN is "75 MIN". A note states: "NOTE: Data on this page must match the information as it is written in your passport." The form fields include "Surnames" (e.g., FERNANDEZ GARCIA), "Given Names" (e.g., JUAN MIGUEL), and "Full Name in Native Alphabet" (with a checkbox for "Does Not Apply/Technology Not Available"). There are also sections for "Other Names" and "Telecode". A sidebar on the left contains navigation buttons for "Getting Started", "Personal", "Address and Phone", "Passport", "Travel", "Travel Companions", "Previous U.S. Travel", "U.S. Contact", "Family", "Work / Education / Training", and "Security and Background". A "Help: Navigation Buttons" section at the bottom of the sidebar explains that clicking on the buttons above accesses previously entered data.

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Non-refundable fee

- Sometimes called the “MRV” fee or “NIV” application fee.
- Payment instructions are specific to your local U.S. embassy.
- See the Dept. of State website for [current fees](#)
- Print your receipt!



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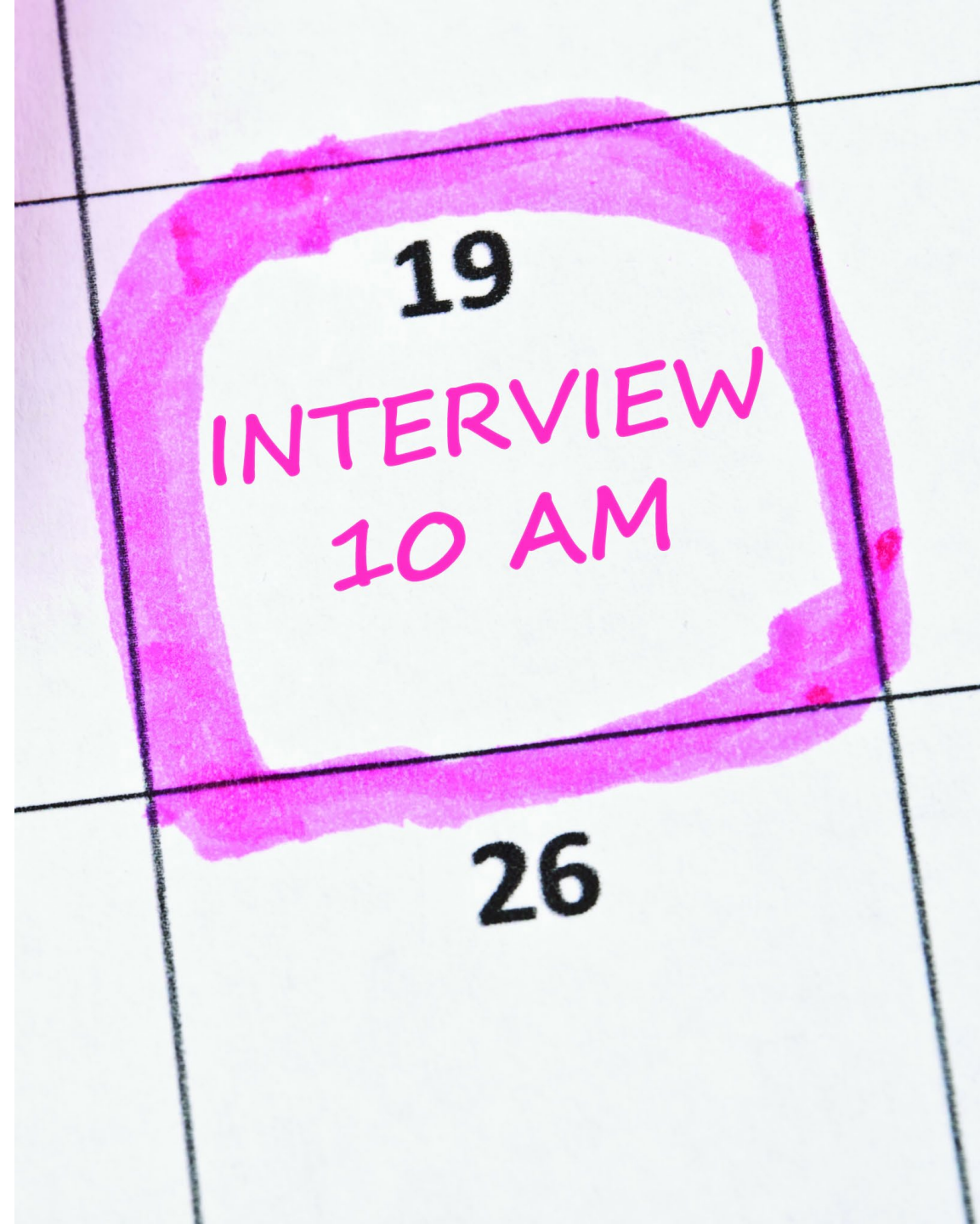
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Follow instructions given by the U.S. embassy or consulate where you intend to apply.

Do not wait to schedule! Wait times for appointments can be long during summer months, or there may be delays over holiday periods. Schedule as soon as possible.



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Preparing for the interview

Check the U.S. embassy website for a complete list of documents required for the interview.

Prepare to bring:

- Passport
- I-20 or DS-2019
- Acceptance letter(New Students) or / Proof of enrollment (continuing students)
- Proof of funding (financial statements, award letters, employer letter)
- SEVIS Fee receipt
- DS-160 Confirmation page
- Additional documentation needed for F-1 OPT/STEM or J-1 Academic training



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The interview

What to expect

- Security at the U.S. Embassy - find out what items will not be allowed inside the building before you go.
- Wait for your number to be called.
- A brief interview; only a few minutes!

The interviewer is interested in:

- Your studies
- Non-immigrant intent
- Financial ability
- Language ability



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Interview Tips

- Answer questions concisely and honestly.
- Be aware that the consulate may also conduct a social media review. Be smart about what information you post online.
- If you don't understand something, don't be afraid to ask.
- Be respectful and courteous.



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Check U.S. embassy website for instructions for passport pick-up or delivery.

Check the visa for accuracy

- Spelling of your name
- Visa type: F-1 or J-1

The maximum length of the visa and number of entries is determined by the visa category and country of citizenship, and is subject to the visa officer's discretion. See the [Reciprocity Table](#) for your country of citizenship and the visa category for more information.



Security Checks

- May cause a delay in visa processing, called “Administrative Processing”. Contact BIO if you have concerns about a delayed arrival.
- Some cases may resolve in a few weeks. Average processing is 60-90 days, but in some cases can take as long as 6 months.
- [U .S. Dept. of State Administrative Processing Information](#)
- [Berkeley International Office security check information](#)

The screenshot displays the U.S. Department of State Consular Electronic Application Center (CEAC) website. The main page is titled "Visa Status Check" and includes a "Submit" button. A notification window titled "Administrative Processing" is overlaid on the page, providing the following information:

- Application ID or Case Number:
- Case Creation Date: 20-Dec-2012
- Status Updated Date: 21-Dec-2012

The notification text states: "Your visa case is currently undergoing necessary administrative processing. This processing can take several weeks. Please follow any instructions provided by the Consular Officer at the time of your interview. If further information is needed, you will be contacted. If your visa application is approved, it will be processed and mailed/available within two business days." It also includes a link to TRAVEL.STATE.GOV and a "Close" button.

At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with a "C" logo and the text: "This site is managed by the Bureau of Consular Affairs, U.S. Department of State. External links to other Internet sites should not be construed as an endorsement of the views contained therein." It also includes links for [Copyright Information](#) and [Disclaimers](#).

Don't panic if your visa is denied

Ask for the reason of denial in writing.

Make detailed notes about the interview (officer's name, questions asked, and your answers).

Email internationaloffice@berkeley.edu and recount details including the location of the consulate and the date and time of your interview.

After consulting with a BIO advisor, re-apply with additional information that addresses the denial reason.



DENIAL

Visas for family

Visas for Dependents

- F-2
- J-2

Who's eligible for F-2/J-2?

- Children under 21
- Legally married spouse

How do they apply for F-2/J-2 visa?

- Same DS-160 process!
- May apply with the F-1 or J-1 or independently
- Will need their own documents *and* copies of the F-1/J-1 documents
- For more information see [BIO Inviting Family](#) webpage



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