

Broadcast Message: SEVIS Notice – SEVIS Release 6.72

**To:** All SEVIS Users

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## General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will deploy the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) Release 6.72 on Friday, Oct. 27, 2023. This release will contain the following updates for F and M SEVIS school officials:

- SEVIS will now accept more than 99 curricular practical training (CPT) recommendations per student record.
- Ability to capture full school event history when:
  - A current SEVIS user is added to a different school's Form I-17, "Petition for Approval of School for Attendance by Nonimmigrant Student."
  - An existing school official changes roles.
  - **Field 4.2 Date Registration Begins Each Session** is updated.
- A new **Return** button has been added to the top of the F-1/M-1 student and J-1 exchange visitor (EV) Event History Pages. This button will return the SEVIS users to the respective student or EV's information page.

This release will contain the following updates for J-1 SEVIS program sponsors:

- Responsible Officers and Alternate Responsible Officers (ROs/AROs) will be able to choose **Travel** as a DS-2019 reprint reason, and it will print on the form.
- J-2 Forms DS-2019 will automatically reprint when the J-1 DS-2019 is reprinted.
- Additional data fields will display on the exported **Active Status Exchange Visitors and Dependents** list.
- Transfer details will appear in the EV event history.
- When a **Reinstatement-Update SEVIS Status** request is approved for an EV, details will display in the event history.
- The **Exchange Visitors Requiring Validation** alert will include a column to indicate if the I-901 fee has been paid.
- When an RO/ARO terminates an EV's record, **Remarks** will be required for all termination reasons.

Additional information about the release is available in the [SEVIS Release 6.72 Planning Guide](#), located on the [SEVIS Enhancements](#) page in the [SEVIS Help Hub](#).

The SEVIS Production environment and SEVIS Batch will NOT be available from Friday, Oct. 27, 2023, at 8 p.m. EDT to Saturday, Oct. 28, 2023, at 12 a.m. EDT.

For questions about this release, please contact the SEVP Response Center (SRC) via phone at 703-603-3400 or 1-800-892-4829 or via email at [SEVP@ice.dhs.gov](mailto:SEVP@ice.dhs.gov). The SRC is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EDT, except for federal holidays.

### **FOR BATCH USERS ONLY**

SEVIS Batch file processing will be unavailable until the scheduled upgrade is complete. Please refrain from uploading files in the Production environment during the outage. Files uploaded during the outage will generate an error and users will have to reupload those files once the Production environment is available.

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