



F-1 Status Rights and Responsibilities

New International Student Orientation

Registration Forms

Required to update SEVIS

- All F-1 and J-1 students **MUST** be registered in SEVIS **each semester**
- Be sure the ISS office has a copy of your passport, visa, I-20 or DS-2019, and I-94

Important Documents

- Passport
- I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility for Non-Immigrant Student)
- Visa
- I-94 Arrival/Departure Record



I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility)

Department of Homeland Security U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement		I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status OMB NO. 1653-0018	
SEVIS ID: [REDACTED]			
STUDENT'S NAME (PRIMARY NAME) [REDACTED]	GIVEN NAME [REDACTED]	CLASS F-1 ACADEMIC AND LANGUAGE	
PREFERRED NAME [REDACTED]	PASSPORT NAME [REDACTED]		
COUNTRY OF BIRTH JAPAN	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP JAPAN		
DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]	ADMISSION NUMBER [REDACTED]		
FORM ISSUE REASON Transfer Pending - Mohawk Valley Community College		LEGACY NAME [REDACTED]	
SCHOOL INFORMATION			
SCHOOL NAME The College at Brockport, State University of New York The College at Brockport	SCHOOL ADDRESS 350 New Campus Drive, Brockport, NY 14620		
SCHOOL OFFICIAL TO CONTACT UPON ARRIVAL Alana Anthony-Orlino 2382	SCHOOL CODE AND APPROVAL DATE B0774F00117000 01 AUGUST 2025		
PROGRAM OF STUDY			
EDUCATION LEVEL BACHELOR'S	MAJOR 1 International/Global Studies 33.2301	MAJOR 2 None 00.0000	
NORMAL PROGRAM LENGTH 24 months	PROGRAM ENGLISH PROFICIENCY Required	ENGLISH PROFICIENCY NOTES Student is proficient	
PROGRAM START DATE 31 AUGUST 2023	PROGRAM END DATE 31 MAY 2025		
FINANCIALS			
ESTIMATED AVERAGE COSTS FOR 9 MONTHS		STUDENT'S FUNDING FOR 9 MONTHS	
Tuition and Fees \$ 15,049	Living Expenses \$ 17,910	Personal Funds \$ 0	\$ 0
Expenses of Dependents (if any) \$ 2,216	On-Campus Employment \$ 33,235	Transfer from Scholarship \$ 33,235	
TOTAL \$ 35,235	TOTAL \$ 35,235		
REMARKS			
The student has been accepted and requested transfer to SUNY Brockport.			
SCHOOL ATTESTATION			
I certify under penalty of perjury that all information provided above was entered before I signed this form and is true and correct. I executed this form in the United States after review and evaluation by the United States by me or other officials of the school of the student's application, transcripts, or other records of course taken and proof of financial responsibility, which were received at the school prior to the execution of this form. The school has determined that the above named student's qualifications under all applicable US regulations in the subject and the student will be required to pursue a full program of study as defined by 8 CFR 214.2(a)(5). I am a designated school official of the above named school and am authorized to issue this form.			
SIGNATURE OF ALEA ANTHONY-ORLINO	DATE ISSUED 27 August 2025	PLACE ISSUED Brockport, NY	
STUDENT ATTESTATION			
I have read and agreed to comply with the terms and conditions of my admission and those of my extension of stay. I certify that all information provided on this form refers specifically to me and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I seek to enter or remain in the United States temporarily, and solely for the purpose of pursuing a full program of study at the school named above. I also authorize the named school to release any information from my records needed by DHS pursuant to 8 CFR 214.2(a)(5) to determine my nonimmigrant status. Parent or guardian, and student, must sign if student is under 18.			
SIGNATURE OF [REDACTED]	DATE		
SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS (city/state or previous/country)	DATE

I-20 Signature Page

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Redesigned Form I-20
SEVIS Fact Sheet

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I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status
(Form I-20) (Rev. 10/14/2009)

SEVIS ID: W0004705512 (F-1) NAME: John Doe Smith

EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION
EMPLOYMENT STATUS
EMPLOYMENT START
EMPLOYER NAME
EMPLOYER ADDRESS

SEVIS ID, (Class of Admission), and Name

CHANGE OF STATUS/GAP EXTENSION
ACQUISITION TYPE
ACQUISITION STATUS
ACQUISITION NUMBER
ACQUISITION DATE
ACQUISITION DATE

EVENT HISTORY
OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS
AUTHORIZATION
TRAVEL INFORMATION

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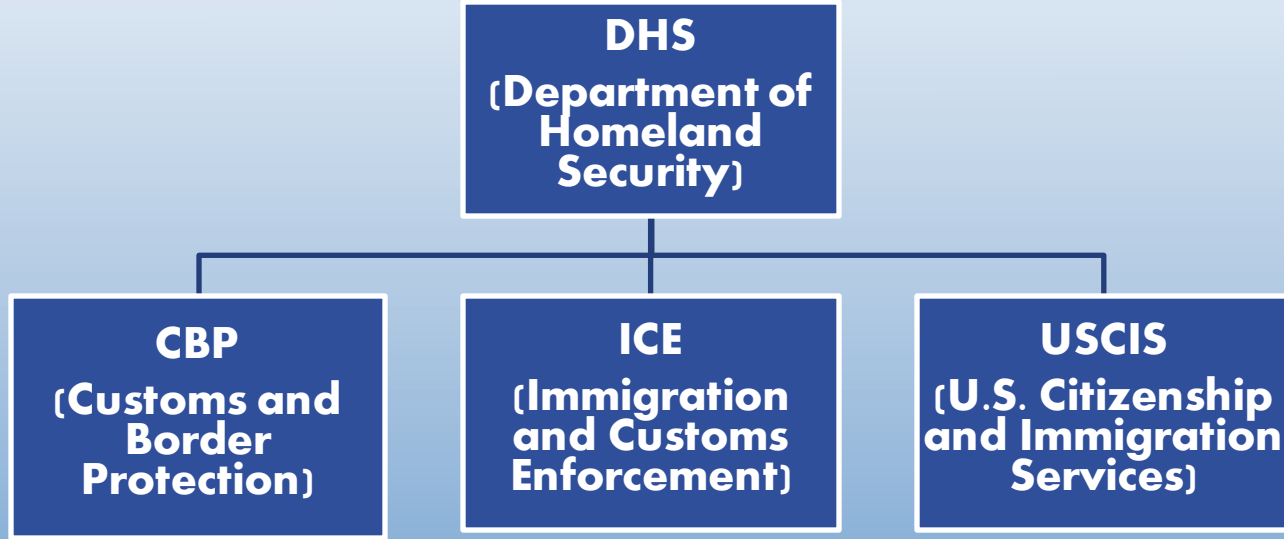
DSO's name does NOT pre-print on form

I-94 E-Retrieval



<https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/consent.html> or Google **"Get My I-94"**

Department of Homeland Security



U.S. State Department

- There are U.S. Embassies and Consulates worldwide
- Issues visas in passports of a given length, and a certain number of entries to apply to enter the U.S.
- **There are no U.S. Consulates within the U.S. Impossible to renew your visa in the U.S.**



SEVIS

- Stands for “Student and Exchange Visitor Information System”
- U.S. Government tracking system for students and scholars
 - Monitored by SEVP (part of ICE)
 - All I-20s are generated from SEVIS
- Schools have Primary & Designated School Officials (P/DSO) that are required to update specific information within certain deadlines



Student
Exchange
Visitor
Information
System

Who are your DSO's? (F-1)



Keith Davis, PDSO



Michaela Luedke, DSO



Ethan Lehman, DSO



Ellen Miller, DSO



Visa vs. Status

- A Visa is an eligibility sticker that students can take to apply to enter the U.S.
- **Once admitted, students are given their “status”**
- **Status** determines length of lawful stay in U.S. not visa
- F-1 Students are given until “D/S” to stay in the U.S. as indicated on the I-94 Form
- D/S means “Duration of Status”
- You are allowed to remain in the U.S. until you complete your program (including OPT) plus an additional **60 day** “grace period” to depart the U.S.

A visa is like a house key...



You need a key to open the locked door and go in but you do not need the key to leave.

Status is your being welcome...



OR



**If you are not good and behaving by the rules,
you will be uninvited.**

Maintaining F-1 Status

- Have a valid passport at all times
- Have an unexpired Form I-20
- Report a change of address to the ISS Office within **10 days** of your move and update Web Banner
- Do not work off campus without Authorization
- **Be enrolled full-time**
- **Attend classes**

Full Time Course Load

- **Undergraduate**- must be enrolled in **12** credits or more in Fall and Spring semesters
- **Graduate** - must be enrolled in **9** credits or more in Fall and Spring semesters
- Summer term is optional
- Withdrawals (W) are **not** recognized
- "F"s **are** recognized

Full Time Course Load cont.

- May only take 1 class or up to 3 credits of “on-line” courses as part of 12 credits
- **Exceptions to Full-Time Requirement:**
 - Documented Medical Condition
 - Last Semester of Studies
 - Initial Academic Adjustment Difficulty

Must get DSO permission from
ISS **before** you drop below full-time

What if I violate the rules of my status?

- **P/DSOs are required to update SEVIS based on your program status. If certain dates pass for example without required updates, SEVIS will automatically **terminate** your record.**
- **A Termination will subject you to deportation and future exclusion to the U.S.**

What if I violate the rules of my status?

- Apply for Reinstatement to the USCIS to regain your status

OR

- If you do not apply for Reinstatement, you will be expected to leave the country immediately. You can then apply for an “Initial Attendance” I-20 to return to the U.S.

Employment

- On-Campus - SSN required
- Co-Curricular Practical Training (CPT)
 - P/DSO approval required
- Optional Practical Training (OPT)
 - P/DSO approval required
- SSN required
- Economic Hardship

On-Campus Employment

- Students are allowed to work part-time (up to 20 hours/week) while school is in session.
 - 27 hours/week is allowed during Summer or during school breaks
- No USCIS approval needed **but Social Security Number (SSN) is required**
- Best place to look- **Handshake/Eagle Connect**
- BASC, IT, Campus Rec (look for "Temp" jobs)

Off-Campus Employment

- **Optional Practical Training (OPT)**
 - Must have valid F-1 status for 1 academic year (2 semesters)
 - Must apply to USCIS for an Employment Authorization Document (EAD)
 - Available for 1 year at each educational level

Off-Campus Employment

- **Severe Economic Hardship**
 - Must prove to USCIS that employment is necessary due to severe economic hardship caused by circumstances beyond your control with documentation
 - Must have valid F-1 status for 1 academic year
 - Must apply to for a Employment Authorization Document (EAD)
- Job does not have to be related to course of study

Travel and Re-Entry

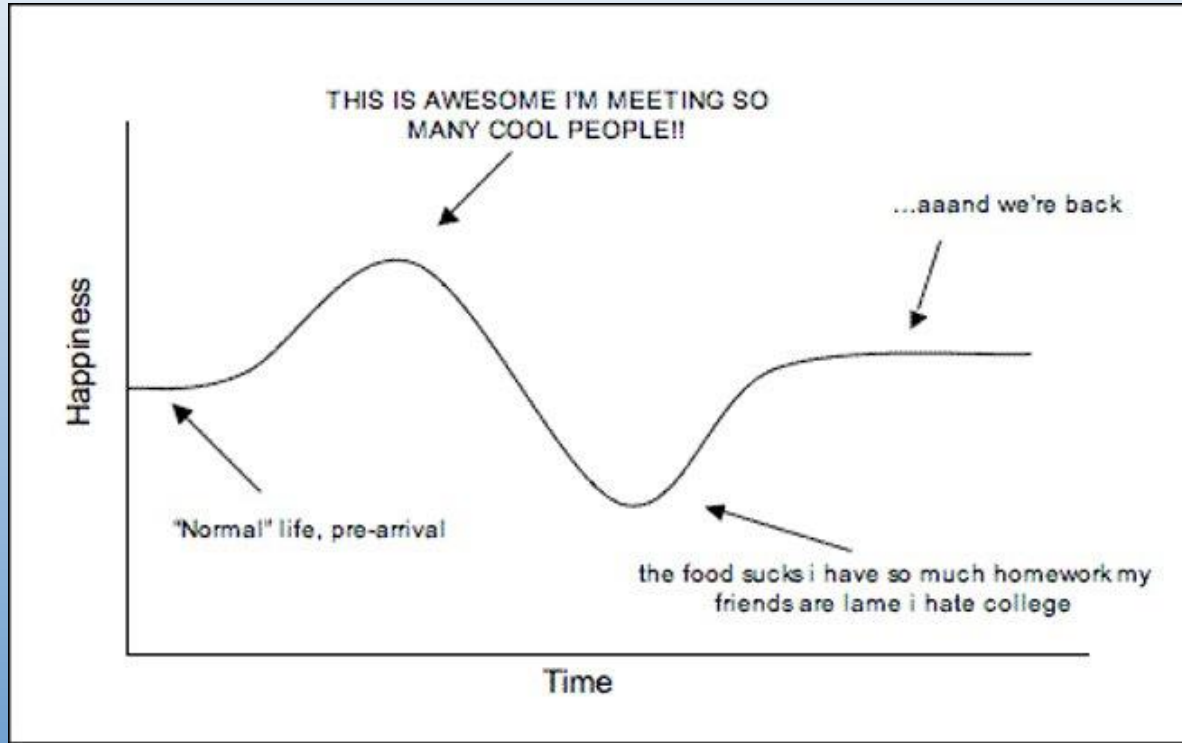
- **If you wish to travel outside the U.S. during your studies, and reenter after a temporary absence of 5 months or less, you will need the following:**
 - A valid passport (and valid for 6 months)
 - A valid U.S. visa with more than 1 entry remaining.
 - Your I-20 with a current signature from a P/DSO.
 - We recommend you get a travel endorsement each semester.
- **Additional Recommended Documentation:**
 - Transcripts or Tuition Receipts
 - Name and Contact information of P/DSO

****Recommended to travel with passport, and I-20 even if staying within the U.S. You should take photos of all important documents on your cell phones for quick access!****

Completing your Program/Transferring

- **60 Day** Grace Period after the last day of the semester
- Final Semester– Come to the ISS Office to complete a Final Semester Form
- Transfer Students need to bring an acceptance letter from next school to the ISS office
- Must start next term, within 5 months
- SEVIS Record must be released within grace period to maintain status

Homesickness



Ask for Help

- If you are having difficulty adjusting to your classes OR are experiencing mental or physical health issues, please talk to someone in the ISS office.
- We can:
 - Help you find resources
 - Explore course reduction options



Questions?



Thanks for listening!



Email iss@brockport.edu with visa questions.

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