



The Student and Exchange Visitor Program is releasing a redesigned Form I-20. This fact sheet highlights key aspects of the form.

## Key Dates

- \* **Release date for revised Form I-20: June 26, 2015**
- \* **Deadline for conversion of forms for students: July 1, 2016**

Schools must ensure that their students have the new version of the form by July 1, 2016. After July 1, 2016, previous versions of the form cannot be used to support:

- Visa applications
- Entry into the United States
- Applications for social security numbers or drivers licenses



**Note:** Nonimmigrants must use the redesigned Form I-20 to apply for social security numbers or drivers licenses.

## Key Form Revisions

- Improved design:
  - Changes the branding to reflect the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration and Customs Enforcement branding.
  - Moves the instructions to page three of the form.
  - Removes the barcode and the blocks for visa and port of entry information.
  - Improves the display of information.
- Page one changes:
  - Makes the SEVIS ID more visible on page one.
  - Adds the new SEVIS name fields.
  - Makes the class of admission information more visible.
  - Displays the school and program of study information more clearly.
  - Specifies the number of dependents.
  - Describes other costs, funds from the school, and funds from other sources, if any.
  - Pre-prints the student's name in the Student Attestation section for both the student and the dependent forms.
  - Separates dependent from student information on the dependent's form.
- Page two changes:
  - Displays both the SEVIS ID and the student or dependent name.
  - Displays employment authorization information more clearly.
  - Expands the following sections of the form to display information, if needed:
    - Change of Status/Cap Gap Extension
    - Event History
    - Other Authorizations
  - Does **NOT** pre-print the DSO's name on page two of the form.



# U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

# Redesigned Form I-20 SEVIS Fact Sheet

U.S. Department of Justice  
Immigration and Naturalization Service

Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant (F-1) Student  
Status - For Academic and Language Students (OMB NO. 1653-0038)

Page 1

**Please read Instructions on Page 2  
This page must be completed and signed in the U.S. by a designated school official.**

**1. Family Name (surname):**  
Doe Smith

**First (given) Name:** John  
**Middle Name:**

**Country of birth:** BARBADOS, THE  
**Date of birth (month/day/year):** 01/01/1990

**Country of citizenship:** BARBADOS, THE  
**Admission number:**

**2. School (School district) name:**  
SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies  
Main Campus

**School Official to be notified of student's arrival in U.S. (Name and Title):**  
Helene Robertson  
DSO

**School address (include zip code):**  
4 Crystal Drive  
Arlington, VA 22202

**School code (including 3-digit suffix, if any) and approval date:**  
HA214F21211000 approved on 01/08/2014

**3. This certificate is issued to the student named above for:**  
Initial attendance at this school.

**4. Level of education the student is pursuing or will pursue in the United States:**  
MASTER'S

**5. The student named above has been accepted for a full course of study at this school, majoring in History, General.**  
The student is expected to report to the school no later than 06/01/2015 and complete studies not later than 05/31/2017. The normal length of study is 24 months.

**6. English proficiency:**  
This school requires English proficiency. The student has the required English proficiency.

**7. This school estimates the student's average costs for an academic term of 2 (up to 12) months to be:**

a. Tuition and fees	\$ 15,000.00
b. Living expenses	\$ 6,000.00
c. Expenses of dependents (0 )	\$ 0.00
d. Other (specify):	\$ 0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 21,000.00</b>

**8. This school has information showing the following as the student's means of support, estimated for an academic term of 9 months (Use the same number of months given in item 7).**

a. Student's personal funds	\$ 6,000.00
b. Funds from this school	\$ 15,000.00
Specify type: <u>scholarship</u>	
c. Funds from another source	\$ 0.00
Specify type:	
d. On-campus employment	\$ 0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 21,000.00</b>

**9. Remarks:**

**10. School Certification:** I certify under penalty of perjury that all information provided above in items 1 through 9 was completed before I signed this form and is true and correct; I executed this form in the United States after review and evaluation in the United States by me or other officials of the school of the student's application, transcripts, or other records of courses 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 meet all standards for admission to the school; the student will be required to pursue a full course of study as defined by 8 CFR 214.2(f)(6); I am a designated official of the above named school and am authorized to issue this form.

Helene Robertson DSO 05/05/2015 Arlington, VA

**11. Student Certification:** I have read and agreed to comply with the terms and conditions of my admission and those of any extension of stay as specified on page 2. 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 course of study at the school named on page 1 of this form. I also authorize the named school to release any information from my records which is needed by the INS pursuant to 8 CFR 214.3(g) to determine my nonimmigrant status.

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Address (city): \_\_\_\_\_ (State or Province) (Country) (Date)

If student under 18

Form I-20 A-B (Rev. 04-27-88) For Official Use Only  
Microfilm Index Number

U.S. Department of Justice Form I-20

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  
**CLASS:** F-1  
**PREFERRED NAME:** John Doe-Smith  
**PASSPORT NAME:**  
**COUNTRY OF BIRTH:** UNITED KINGDOM  
**COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP:** UNITED KINGDOM  
**ADMISSION NUMBER:**  
**DATE OF BIRTH:** 01 JANUARY 1990  
**FORM ISSUE REASON:** INITIAL ATTENDANCE - Updated Form I-20 or Name Conversion  
**LEGACY NAME:**  
**ACADEMIC AND LANGUAGE:**

**SCHOOL INFORMATION**

**SCHOOL NAME:** SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies  
**SCHOOL ADDRESS:** 9002 Nancy Lane, Ft. Washington, MD 20744

**SCHOOL OFFICIAL TO CONTACT UPON ARRIVAL:** Rita Feet  
International Scholar Advisor  
**SCHOOL CODE AND APPROVAL DATE:** HA214F21449000  
03 APRIL 2015

**PROGRAM OF STUDY**

<b>EDUCATION LEVEL:</b> MASTER'S	<b>MAJOR 1:</b> Economics, General 45.0601	<b>MAJOR 2:</b> None 00.0000
<b>NORMAL PROGRAM LENGTH:</b> 72 Months	<b>PROGRAM ENGLISH PROFICIENCY:</b> Required	<b>ENGLISH PROFICIENCY NOTES:</b> Student is proficient
<b>PROGRAM START DATE:</b> 01 SEPTEMBER 2015	<b>PROGRAM END DATE:</b> 31 MAY 2021	

**FINANCIALS**

<b>ESTIMATED AVERAGE COSTS FOR: 9 MONTHS</b>		<b>STUDENT'S FUNDING FOR: 9 MONTHS</b>	
Tuition and Fees	\$ 23,000	Personal Funds	\$ 3,000
Living Expenses	\$ 6,000	Scholarship and Teaching Assistantship	\$ 29,000
Expenses of Dependents (1)	\$ 3,000	Funds From Another Source	\$
Other	\$	On-Campus Employment	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 32,000</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 32,000</b>

**REMARKS:**  
Orientation begins 8/25/2015. Please report to ISSS upon arrival.

**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 in the United States by me or other officials of the school of the student's application, transcripts, or other records of courses 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 meet all standards for admission to the school and the student will be required to pursue a full program of study as defined by 8 CFR 214.2(f)(6). I am a designated school official of the above named school and am authorized to issue this form.

X \_\_\_\_\_ DATE ISSUED: 05 May 2015 PLACE ISSUED: Ft. Washington, MD

**SIGNATURE OF:** Rita Feet, International Scholar Advisor

**STUDENT ATTESTATION**  
I have read and agreed to comply with the terms and conditions of my admission and those of any 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 214.3(g) to determine my nonimmigrant status. Parent or guardian, and student, must sign if student is under 18.

X \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE OF:** John Doe Smith

**NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ADDRESS (city/state or province/country):** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

ICE Form I-20 A-B (3/31/2018) Page 1 of 3

Department of Homeland Security ICE Form I-20

Release Date: June 26, 2015

Conversion Deadline: July 1, 2016



F-1 Form Changes - Page One

**Rebranding**

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**

SEVIS ID: N0004705512

<b>SURNAME/PRIMARY NAME</b> Doe Smith	<b>GIVEN NAME</b> John	<b>CLASS</b> <b>F-1</b> <b>ACADEMIC AND LANGUAGE</b>
<b>PREFERRED NAME</b> John Doe-Smith	<b>PASSPORT NAME</b>	
<b>COUNTRY OF BIRTH</b> UNITED KINGDOM	<b>COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP</b> UNITED KINGDOM	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b> 01 JANUARY 1990	<b>ADMISSION NUMBER</b>	
<b>FORM ISSUE REASON</b> INITIAL ATTENDANCE - Updated Form I-20 or Name Conversion	<b>LEGACY NAME</b>	

**SEVIS Name fields added**

**Form Issue Reason**

**Class of Admission**

**SCHOOL INFORMATION**

<b>SCHOOL NAME</b> SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies	<b>SCHOOL ADDRESS</b> 9002 Nancy Lane, Ft. Washington, MD 20744
<b>SCHOOL OFFICIAL TO CONTACT UPON ARRIVAL</b> Rita Feet International Scholar Advisor	<b>SCHOOL CODE AND APPROVAL DATE</b> BAL214F4444000 03 APRIL 2015

**PROGRAM OF STUDY**

<b>EDUCATION LEVEL</b> MASTER'S	<b>MAJOR 1</b> Economics, General 45.0601	<b>MAJOR 2</b> None 00.0000
<b>NORMAL PROGRAM LENGTH</b> 72 Months	<b>Description of Other Costs, School Funding, and Funds from Other Sources, if specified</b>	
<b>PROGRAM START DATE</b> 01 SEPTEMBER 2015		

**FINANCIALS**

ESTIMATED AVERAGE COSTS FOR: 9 MONTHS		STUDENT'S FUNDING FOR: 9 MONTHS	
Tuition and Fees	\$ 23,000	Personal Funds	\$ 3,000
Living Expenses	\$ 6,000	Scholarship and Teaching Assistantship	\$ 29,000
Expenses of Dependents (1)	\$ 3,000	Funds From Another Source	\$
Other	\$	On-Campus Employment	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 32,000</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 32,000</b>

**REMARKS**

Orientation begins 8/25/2015. Please report to ISSS upon arrival.

**Remarks: Space for comments**

**Number of dependents**

**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 in the United States by me or other officials of the school of the student's application, transcripts, or other records of courses 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 meet all standards for admission to the school and the student will be required to pursue a full program of study as defined by 8 CFR 214.2(f)(6). I am a designated school official of the above named school and am authorized to issue this form.

DATE ISSUED: 05 May 2015 PLACE ISSUED: Ft. Washington, MD

SIGNATURE OF: Rita Feet, International Scholar Advisor

**STUDENT ATTESTATION**

I have read and agreed to comply with the terms and conditions of my admission and those of any 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 and to determine my nonimmigrant status pursuant to 8 CFR 214.3(g) to determine my nonimmigrant status.

SIGNATURE OF: John Doe Smith

**Student's name pre-prints on form**

NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS (city/state or province/country)	DATE
----------------------------	-----------	--	------

ICE Form I-20 A-B (3/31/2018) Page 1 of 3



F-1 Form Changes - Page Two

Department of Homeland Security U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement		I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status OMB NO. 1653-0038	
<b>SEVIS ID: N0004705512 (F-1)</b>		<b>NAME: John Doe Smith</b>	
<b>EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION</b>			
EMPLOYMENT STATUS	TYPE		
EMPLOYMENT START	<b>SEVIS ID, (Class of Admission), and Name</b>		
EMPLOYER NAME	EMPLOYER LOCATION		
COMMENTS			
<b>CHANGE OF STATUS/CAP-GAP EXTENSION</b>			
REQUESTED VISA TYPE	REQUEST/PETITION STATUS	RECEIPT NUMBER	BENEFIT START DATE/REQUEST DATE
<b>EVENT HISTORY</b>			
EVENT NAME	<b>Sections expand as needed to display information</b>		
<b>OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS</b>			
AUTHORIZATION	START DATE	END DATE	
<b>TRAVEL ENDORSEMENT</b>			
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
		X	
		X	
		X	



F-1 Form Changes – Page Three

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

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

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

STUDENT ATTESTATION. You should read everything on this page carefully. Be sure that you understand the terms and conditions concerning your admission and stay in the United States as a nonimmigrant student before signing the student attestation on page 1 of the Form I-20 A-B. The law provides severe penalties for knowingly and willfully falsifying or concealing a material fact, or using any false document in the submission of this form.

FORM I-20. The Form I-20 (this form) is the primary document to show that you have been admitted to school in the United States and that you are authorized to apply for admission to the United States in F-1 class of admission. You must have your Form I-20 with you at all times. If you lose your Form I-20, you must request a new one from your designated school official (DSO) at the school named on your Form I-20.

VISA APPLICATION. You must give this Form I-20 to the U.S. consular officer at the time you apply for a visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements). If you have a Form I-20 from more than one school, be sure to present the Form I-20 for the school you plan to attend. Your visa will include the name of that school, and you must attend that school upon entering the United States. You must also provide evidence of support for tuition and fees and living expenses while you are in the United States.

ADMISSION. When you enter the United States, you must present the following documents to the officer at the port of entry: 1) a Form I-20; 2) a valid F-1 visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements); 3) a valid passport; and 4) evidence of support for tuition and fees and living expenses while you are in the United States. The agent should return all documents to you before you leave the inspection area.

REPORT TO SCHOOL NAMED ON YOUR FORM I-20 AND VISA. Upon your first entry to the United States, you must report to the DSO at the school named on your Form I-20 and your F-1 visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements). If you decide to attend another school before you enter the United States, you must present a Form I-20 from the new school to a U.S. consular officer for a new F-1 visa that names the new school. Failure to enroll in the school, by the program start date on your Form I-20 may result in the loss of your student status and subject you to deportation.

EMPLOYMENT. Unlawful employment in the United States is a reason for terminating your F-1 status and deporting you from the United States. You may be employed on campus at your school. You may be employed off-campus in curricular practical training (CPT) if you have written permission from your DSO. You may apply to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) for off-campus employment authorization in three circumstances: 1) employment with an international organization; 2) severe and unexpected economic hardship; and 3) optional practical training (OPT) related to your degree. You must have written authorization from USCIS before you begin work. Contact your DSO for details. Your spouse or child (F-2 classification) may not work in the United States.

PERIOD OF STAY. You may remain in the United States while taking a full course of study or during authorized employment after your program. F-1 status ends and you are required to leave the United States on the earliest of the following dates: 1) the program end date on your Form I-20 plus 60 days; 2) the end date of your OPT plus 60 days; or 3) the termination of your program for any other reason. Contact your DSO for details.

EXTENSION OF PROGRAM. If you cannot complete the education program by the program end date on page 1 of your Form I-20, you should contact your DSO at least 15 days before the program end date to request an extension.

SCHOOL TRANSFER. To transfer schools, first notify the DSO at the school you are attending of your plan to transfer, then obtain a Form I-20 from the DSO at that school within 15 days after beginning attendance at the new school. The DSO will then report the transfer to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). You must enroll in the new school at the next session start date. The DSO at the new school must update your registration in SEVIS.

NOTICE OF ADDRESS. When you arrive in the United States, you must report your U.S. address to your DSO. If you move, you must notify your DSO of your new address within 10 days of the change of address. The DSO will update SEVIS with your new address.

REENTRY. F-1 students may leave the United States and return within a period of five months. To return, you must have: 1) a valid passport; 2) a valid F-1 student visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements); and 3) your Form I-20, page 2, properly endorsed for reentry by your DSO. If you have been out of the United States for more than five months, contact your DSO.

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION BY SCHOOL. DHS requires your school to provide DHS with your name, country of birth, current address, immigration status, and certain other information on a regular basis or upon request. Your signature on the Form I-20 authorizes the named school to release such information from your records.

PENALTY. To maintain your nonimmigrant student status, you must: 1) remain a full-time student at your authorized school; 2) engage only in authorized employment; and 3) keep your passport valid. Failure to comply with these regulations will result in the loss of your student status and subject you to deportation.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SCHOOLS

Failure to comply with 8 CFR 214.3(k) and 8 CFR 214.4 when issuing Forms I-20 will subject you and your school to criminal prosecution. If you issue this form improperly, provide false information, or fail to submit required reports, DHS may withdraw its certification of your school for attendance by nonimmigrant students.

ISSUANCE OF FORM I-20. DSOs may issue a Form I-20 for any nonimmigrant your school has accepted for a full course of study if that person: 1) plans to apply to enter the United States in F-1 status; 2) is in the United States as an F-1 nonimmigrant and plans to transfer to your school; or 3) is in the United States and will apply to change nonimmigrant status to F-1. DSOs may also issue the Form I-20 to the spouse or child (under the age of 21) of an F-1 student to use to enter or remain in the United States as an F-2 dependent. DSOs must sign where indicated at the bottom of page 1 of the Form I-20 to attest that the form is completed and issued in accordance with regulations.

ENDORSEMENT OF PAGE 2 FOR REENTRY. If there have been no substantive changes in information, DSOs may endorse page 2 of the Form I-20 for the student and/or the F-2 dependents to reenter the United States. If there have been substantive changes, the DSO should issue and sign a new Form I-20 that includes those changes.

RECORDKEEPING. DHS may request information concerning the student's immigration status for various reasons. DSOs should retain all evidence of academic ability and financial resources on which admission was based, until SEVIS shows the student's record completed or terminated.

AUTHORITY FOR COLLECTING INFORMATION. Authority for collecting the information on this and related student forms is contained in 8 U.S.C. 1101 and 1184. The Department of State and DHS use this information to determine eligibility for the benefits requested. The law provides severe penalties for knowingly and willfully falsifying or concealing a material fact, or using any false document in the submission of this form.

REPORTING BURDEN. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement collects this information as part of its agency mission under the Department of Homeland Security. The estimated average time to review the instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the needed data, and complete and review the collection of information is 30 minutes (.50 hours) per response. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to an information collection unless a form displays a currently valid OMB Control number. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: Office of the Chief Information Officer/Forms Management Branch, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 801 I Street NW Stop 5800, Washington, DC 20536-5800. Do not send the form to this address.