Understanding SEVIS status is key to helping your students have a smoother stay in the United States and properly fulfilling your school’s reporting requirements to DHS.

**Draft**
The record has been newly created and not yet submitted.

Submit Form I-20, "Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status," to set it to Initial status.

**Initial**
The record has been submitted in SEVIS and is ready to be given to the student. The student may be about to enter the United States, is transferring to a new school or is awaiting a change of student status.

Register student to make the SEVIS record Active.

**Active**
The record has been registered and the student is in status.

Allow the record to auto-complete 60 days after the program end date.

**Completed**
The student has completed the course of study and any post-completion optional practical training. Following completion, the student is afforded a grace period to depart.

**CANCELED**
The SEVIS ID has not been used and will not be used.

**TERMINATED**
The student's record is terminated in SEVIS by SEVP or a DSO for a reason other than Program Completion.

To terminate the record, click on the Terminate Student link. Choose the correct termination reason. If you have any questions, please contact the SEVP Response Center.

**DEACTIVATED**
The record is no longer being used either due to a change of education level or a transfer.

*Student may be in the United States as an F-1 or M-1 using this SEVIS ID.

**Student should not be in the United States as an F-1 or M-1 using this ID.

Are your students in the correct status in SEVIS?

For more detailed information, please see related articles on the SEVIS Help Hub.