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SEVP Conference Bulletin

Reminder: I-20 Updates by July 1st

All F and M international students and their dependents must work with their designated school official (DSO) to ensure they have submitted the redesigned Form I-20, "Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student," by July 1, 2016. As a reminder, all F and M students need the Form I-20 to:

- Enter the United States,
- Pay the I-901 SEVIS Fee,
- Apply for a benefit, such as a <u>Social Security</u> number or <u>driver's license</u>,
- Apply to receive <u>employment authorization</u> from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and
- Apply for an F or M student visa.

Changes to the Form I-20 include a more visible Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) identification number, inclusion of the student's school and program of study, better separation of the student's information from dependent(s) information and other general design improvements.

F and M students who received a Form I-20 from their DSO on or after June 26, 2015, were automatically issued the redesigned form. However, any student who received their form before June 26, 2015, and has not already worked with their DSO to get a redesigned form, should do so immediately.

The new version of the form does not have a bar code. After July 1, 2016, any Form I-20 that has a bar code will no longer be accepted.

Download the <u>Redesigned Form I-20 SEVIS Fact Sheet</u> to learn more about important changes to the form. Share this information with others on <u>social media</u> using the hashtag #StudyintheStates.

Recording Available for SEVP Ask the Experts: K-12 Spotlight Webinar

The webinar aired live on June 22, at 2 p.m. EDT, to an audience of over 200. During the webinar, presenters discussed topics specific to K-12 stakeholders and answered live questions from participants.

If you were unable to attend, the recording is available on the Study in the States <u>webinars</u> page. You can view the recording at any time, along with a transcript, a copy of the presentation, and a question and answer document.

SEVP Speaks at NAFSA Annual Conference

SEVP participated in the NAFSA 2016 Annual Conference & Expo in Denver, CO on June 1 and 2. SEVP representatives presented at several different sessions, covering topics such as:

- SEVP Trends & Issues,
- Intensive English Language Programs, and
- SEVIS Functionality.

SEVP was able to present to thousands of stakeholders at these sessions, while also answering questions submitted from the audience.

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If you have any questions or are interested in SEVP participating in your event, email your request to SEVPOutreach@ice.dhs.gov. Did you recently attend an SEVP conference or join in an online webinar? SEVP wants your feedback! Fill out the Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey on Study in the States to provide feedback on our outreach events.



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