HOMELAND SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

SEVP Conference Bulletin

In The Know

Student Resources on *Study in the States*

Have you told your students about *Study in the States*? The site has many resources for prospective and current F and M students. Some of the resources include a school search page to find Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP)-certified schools, information on applying for visas through the U.S. Department of State and guidelines for working in the United States. Encourage prospective students to visit the site to learn how to prepare for their journeys to the United States. You can direct current students to visit the site to learn about processes, such as how to obtain a Social Security number or a driver's license. *Study in the States* provides numerous resources for students and is now available in 64 languages.

Update on the I-901 SEVIS Fee

Regulations require all prospective F and M students to pay the I-901 Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) fee before the U.S. Department of State will issue them a visa. Beginning Aug. 4, F and M students will no longer receive a mailed receipt after paying their I-901 SEVIS fee. Instead, they will need to print the receipt themselves from the FMJfee website. The printable payment confirmation will replace the I-797C, "Notice of Action," mailed receipt. The student can print the payment confirmation after completing a payment or by clicking on the "Check Status" button on the FMJfee website and entering the student's SEVIS identification, name and date of birth.

NOTABLE EVENTS

SEVP's Next Live Question and Answer Session

Do you have a question for SEVP subject matter experts? Submit your questions Sept. 9, through Sept. 22, on the *Study in the States* IdeaScale page. During the live question and answer session, SEVP will address questions with the most votes as determined by stakeholder voting response level. Bookmark *Study in the States* to stay up-to-date on the latest news and information about the next question and answer session.

Preview: Form I-17 Tutorial

SEVP understands the confusion school officials may encounter when applying for certification to enroll F and M students in their academic programs. To make the application process clearer for school officials, SEVP is developing a step-by-step tutorial for the Form I-17, "Petition for Approval of School for Attendance by Nonimmigrant Foreign Student." The tutorial will guide school officials through the process of completing a Form I-17 and explain exactly what information SEVP needs in each field. Upon completion, the tutorial will be available on *Study in the States* sometime in September 2013.

Fall, Winter Conference Season

We're excited to kick off our fall, winter conference season. Please contact the SEVP Strategic Communications team to have SEVP speak at your event.

Contact Us

If you have any questions or are interested in having SEVP participate in your event, please submit your request to the SEVP Response Center. Recently attend an SEVP conference or participate in an online webinar? SEVP wants your feedback! Use the satisfaction survey form on *Study in the States* to give us feedback on our outreach events so we can continue to provide you with the best and most useful information.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

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