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WEBINAR INTRODUCTION

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Agenda

- SEVIS Release 6.31 schedule
- Exchange Visitor J-1 transfer
- New security warning page
- Upload evidence
- SEVP Portal
- Batch changes foreign phone number
- Future webinars
- Resources
- Q&A







Webinar Q&A Request

Please limit questions to functionality discussed during this webinar. We are unable to address case-specific questions.







SEVIS RELEASE 6.31

SCHEDULE

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Release Schedule

- Date: Sunday, December 18, 2016
- Time: TBD (ET)
- **Duration:** Currently, SEVP expects the outage to last four hours (approximately)

Note: This release is scheduled for a Sunday, instead of the normal Friday release date, due to other U.S. Government requirements.

Caution: Schools and sponsors that use third-party software to push data to SEVIS must plan their batch uploads carefully.







CHANGES AFFECTING J SEVIS USERS ONLY

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Exchange Visitor J-1 Transfer

J-1 Transfer Release Date can be the same as the Program End Date.







CHANGES AFFECTING ALL SEVIS USERS

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Security Warning Page

An official website of the U.S. government Student & Exc Information Sy	thange Visitor 1-800-892-4829 SEVIS Help Desk	
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Page ID: 701	Tue Nov 29 07:31:34 EST 2016	U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Security Warning page upon initial SEVIS log in.

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CHANGES AFFECTING F/M SEVIS USERS ONLY

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Batch Change – Foreign Phone Number

- Able to submit a foreign telephone number during registration
- Does not involve a change to the batch schema
- Use old schema until new vendor software loaded

Note: Schools that cannot deploy their batch vendor's updates to their batch software by the release date will still be able to submit registration events via batch.





- DSOs will be able upload evidence directly to SEVP in SEVIS
- Evidence cannot exceed 10MB per document
- Must be in one of the following file formats:
 - .DOCX
 - .PDF
 - .XLSX
 - .JPEG
 - .GIF
 - .PNG





Able to upload evidence from two separate pages:

- Submit Successful page immediately after DSO submits the correction request
- Corrections Management page





Submit Successful page:

Submit Successful							
The following Request ID was assigned to this correction request: 177695							
	This correction request requires re	view by SEVP.					
Upload Evidence	Return to Corrections Management Page	Return to the Student Information Page					



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Upload Evidence – Correction Requests

Corrections Management page

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Return to Student Information						
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Ngo, Hang Thu		Start Date: 01/01/2015 End Date:	ies 07/31/2016	SEVIS ID: N0004705844		
		Θ				
	Cor	rection Options Available for	This Student			
Type of Correction	Type of Correction Description and Help					
Request Change to Program Dates	Request Change to Program Dates Use this option to change the students Program Start and End Dates and/or the Initial Session Start Date, if any or all those dates have passed. Use this option also if the Manage Initial Program and Session Dates, Shorten Program and/or Extend Program functions are no longer available.					
Correct Student Requests to USCIS	Use this opt information.	on to correct the reflected status of a	students USCIS applicat	ion in SEVIS. Click here for more		
Student Status	Student Status Use this option to correct the students SEVIS record status. Click here for more information.					
		Existing Correction Requ	iests			

This page displays only those correction request options that are appropriate for this SEVIS record. Use this page to request SEVIS corrections for this student. Also use this page to manage any pending correction requests and/or view any closed correction requests this SEVIS record may have.

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Upload Evidence – Correction Requests

To upload evidence:

- Click Upload **Evidence**
- Upload Correction Request Evidence page opens

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	Question Mark denotes information about the field (😢)					
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Student Status	Use this option to correct the students SEVIS record status. Click here for more information.					
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Practical Training

DSO

Change Responsible DSO Cancel





• Click Upload Evidence. The Upload Evidence modal opens.

Upload Correction Request Evidence							
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Correction Request Information							
ID	177695						
Туре	Student Request Change - Optional Practical Training						
Comments	Student received her OPT card in the mail, receipt r	number PSC85999755551.					
Upload Evidence	Upload Evidence Uploaded Evidence						
File Name	Evidence Type	File Size (bytes)	\$				
No data available in table							
	Return to Corrections Management Page	Return to the Student Information Pa	ige				





- Complete fields:
 - File to Upload Select
 Browse to choose
 evidence from computer.
 - Evidence Type Click drop-down arrow to select type of evidence.
 - Additional Comments:
 - Add additional useful comments about file.
 - Field limit is 1200 characters.
- Click Submit or Cancel.

Upload Evidence	
File to Upload 🐐	
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Evidence Type 🐐	
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Additional Comments	Proof of Attendance Letter of Explanation I-94 Visa Passport Employment Authorization Document Page 1 Form I-765 Page 1 Form I-539 Other
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Upload Evidence – Correction Requests

Upload Correction Request Evidence							
Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*)							
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Minus icon indicates that the field can be collapsed to display condensed data (
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- Upload Correction Request Evidence page opens
- Evidence appears in a row under the Uploaded Evidence section



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Upload Evidence – Correction Requests

Upload Correction Request Evidence Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*) "I" information icon denotes help about the page (•) Question Mark denotes information about the field (•) Plus icon indicates that the field can be expanded to display additional data (•) Minus icon indicates that the field can be collapsed to display condensed data (•)						
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Correction Reques	t Informati	ion				
ID		244694				
Туре		Program Date Change				
Comments		Date changed				
Upload Evidence			Uploaded Evide	nce How do I k	know what evidence should be uploaded?	
File Name			Evidence	Type 🗳	File Size (bytes)	
Zeynab Sevinj ISSD	Change.doc:	ĸ	Letter of Ex	xplanation	15229	
			Return to Corrections Management Page	Return to the Student Information Page		

Upload Correction Request Evidence page options:

- Upload Evidence Allows the user to upload additional evidence
- Return to Corrections Management Page
- Return to the Student Information Page
- Sort arrows for File Name, Evidence Type, and File Size columns

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DEMONSTRATION

UPLOAD EVIDENCE – CORRECTION REQUESTS

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Upload Evidence – Form I-17 Submission

- Delayed release of upload evidence for Form I-17 submission until end of February 2017
- Testing in progress
- Process very similar to the upload evidence for correction requests

Note: Demo on upload evidence for Form I-17 submission will be posted to SEVIS Help Hub. A broadcast message will be posted to SEVIS when completed.







SEVP PORTAL

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SEVP Portal

SEVP Portal is a tool that lets international students on post-completion OPT and STEM OPT meet their legal reporting requirements.









SEVP PORTAL OVERVIEW

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SEVP Portal

- While DSOs cannot access the portal, they are still very important to the student
- DSOs can:
 - Request the initial portal account creation email be resent
 - Unlock a student's portal account
 - Change the email address the portal uses
 - Update a student's address, contact information, and employer information
 - Access a downloadable report to see what data was changed by students using the portal
 - Identify students with portal accounts





SEVP Portal Reports and Alerts for DSOs DSOs can:

- Access a downloadable report to see what data was changed by students using the portal
- Access an exportable alert that identifies students with portal accounts



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SEVP Portal Report for DSOs

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SEVIS Updates Submitted by Students report:

- Found on SEVIS Downloads page
- Downloadable as .CSV or Excel file



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SEVP Portal Report for DSOs

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SEVIS Updates Submitted by Students report:

• Enter date range for period of report

Note: When to pull a report is up to school. It is for your use.

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SEVP Portal Report for DSOs

Report includes:

- Surname/Primary Name
- Given Name
- SEVIS ID
- U.S. Mailing Address
- U.S. Physical Address
- Foreign Address (not editable in the Portal)
- U.S. Telephone
- Foreign Telephone
- No Telephone Declaration (not editable in the Portal)
- Email (not editable in the Portal)

- SEVIS Employer ID**
- EIN
- Employer Name
- Employer Address
- Full-Time/Part-Time
- Employment Start Date
- Employment End Date
- Supervisor Name
- Job Title
- Supervisor Email
- Supervisor Telephone
- Date of Update from Portal

****Note:** SEVIS Employer ID is a number assigned by SEVIS. It has no meaning outside of SEVIS and the Portal. This field is not editable in the Portal





Two New SEVIS-Assigned IDs

Employment ID

- Unique identifier assigned to specific segment of OPT authorization
- Assigned by SEVIS

Employer ID

- Unique identifier assigned to an employer for the employment of a student in a specific job.
 Example – Joe working at XYZ Corporation as a full-time Research Assistant starting on 12/1/2016.
- Assigned by SEVIS



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OPT Employment Page

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Actual							

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Employment Information Page



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SEVP Portal Alerts for DSOs

Tools to identify which students have SEVP Portal accounts:

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Event History Request/Authorization Details Employment Information	Active STEM OPT Portal Account	I-901 Fee Paid	1-20 ISSUE REASON: CONTINUED ATTENDANCE
Actions: Authorize To Drop Below Full Course	Gender MALE Date of Birth		J.S. Address 105 N PORT ST, Address2, Baltimore, MD 21224 Iddress Status

Portal Account indicator on the Student Information page





SEVP Portal Alerts for DSOs

Tools to identify which students have SEVP Portal accounts:

	Student Alerts
	SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies
The following alerts deser	re your attention:
Active Students Requiring	OPT Reporting
F-1 Students Within 30 Da	rs of OPT End Date
Service Center Adjudicatio	n Results
Students Within 45 Days o	Program End Date
Students Within 60 Days o	f Off-Campus Employment End Date
Students who have Approv	ed OPT without Current Employer Information
Students with Post-comple	tion or STEM OPT Who Have a Portal Account

Student Alert – Students with Post-completion or STEM OPT Who Have a Portal Account



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SEVP Portal Alert for DSOs

			Students with Po	ost-completio	on or STEM	OPT Who H	lave a Portal Ac	count		
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Format and options for downloading alert list:

- Excel
- .CSV
- .PDF
- Print
- Copy

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SEVP Portal Alert for DSOs

Alert includes:

- Surname/Primary Name
- Given Name
- SEVIS ID
- Portal Account Status
- OPT Type Actual OPT Start Date
- Recommended OPT Start Date
- Recommended OPT End Date
- Portal Account Created Date
- Portal Account Last Update Date







FUTURE WEBINARS







Future SEVIS Webinars

Date	Торіс
January 2017	SEVIS 6.31 Post-Release
February 2017	SEVIS 6.32 Pre-Release





Future SEVP Webinars

Date	Торіс
TBD	SEVP Portal







RESOURCES

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Release Resources

User Guides

- F/M OPT and the SEVP Portal User Guide (planned)
- Upload Evidence Correction Requests User Guide (planned)

Note: Resources will be available on the Help Hub's SEVIS Release Planning Guide 6.31 page by December 18, 2016.





Release Resources

Webinars

- SEVIS 6.31 Pre-Release Slides
- SEVIS 6.31 Pre-Release Screenshots Handout

Other

• SEVIS Release 6.31 Planning Guide





Study in the States Website URLs

• SEVIS Help Hub

http://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/sevis-help-hub

- SEVIS Enhancements page
 - https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/sevis-helphub/learn-more/sevis-enhancements
- SEVIS Webinars page
 - https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/sevis-helphub/learn-more/webinars
- SEVP Stakeholder Webinars page – http://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/webinars







Other Resources

- SEVIS Email
 - SEVISTechnicalFeedback@ice.dhs.gov
- SEVP Response Center

– SEVP@ice.dhs.gov

- SEVIS Batch Email
 - SEVIS.Batch@ice.dhs.gov
- Department of State Email
 - jsevis@state.gov
- SEVIS Help Desk
 - 800-892-4829
 - SEVISHelpdesk@ice.dhs.gov







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