

APPLICATION FOR A FORM I-20
Certificate of Eligibility for F-1 Student Status

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete all sections, attach required information, and return to:
Jennifer Abbott, Assistant Registrar/International Student Advisor, SUNY Upstate
Medical University, 155 Elizabeth Blackwell Street, Campus Activities Building, Room
203, Syracuse, NY 13210.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____
 LAST (FAMILY SURNAME) FIRST MIDDLE

Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Country of Birth: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____

MAILING ADDRESS used to send I-20:

PHONE NUMBER: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

CURRENT STATUS:

Are you currently in the United States? YES NO

If YES, attach a copy of your passport, visa, and current I-94 card.

Are you currently attending school in the United States? YES NO

If YES, attach a copy of your current and previous I-20 forms issued by schools.

PERMANENT ADDRESS:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security requires that you provide your permanent address in your home country.

DEPENDENT INFORMATION:

OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS:

Do you plan to have other family members live with you in the United States while you are a student? YES NO

If YES, complete the following information:

IMPORTANT NOTE: You will be required to prove that you have sufficient financial resources to support each family member whom you want to have live with you while in the United States. You will be expected to show that you have income or resources of \$6,000 per year for living expenses for the first family member, and \$3,000 per year for each additional family member.

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If there are additional family members, provide information about each on a separate sheet of paper, and attach to this application.

YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

United States law requires that you prove you have sufficient resources to pay your educational resources and living expenses for every year of your program of study. You must provide documents that will convince the Government that you have:

1. Immediate funds to cover your first year in the United States, **AND**
2. Sufficient and dependable resources to cover every additional year.

In addition to tuition and fees, you will need to pay for books, supplies, living expenses, health insurance and travel. Plan on a minimum of \$10,000 each year (about \$850 each month) for your living expenses. Indicate your sources of support below. The documents you need to prove each is listed. Attach copies (NOT ORIGINALS) of all documents. All documents must be in English, and no less than 6 months old. You will need to show all documents to the U.S. Consul when applying for your visa.

- **Graduate Assistantship** Department_____.
Be sure to keep a copy of your award letter from the college.
- **Scholarship or Grant from your home country.** Attach a copy of your award letter, contract, or letter of financial guarantee.
- **Your Personal Funds.** These are your own savings and investments. To prove your personal funds, you will need the following:
 1. **Bank statements** in your name only, which state the date the account was opened, current balance in U.S. dollars, average deposits, and average balances. If your funds are Afixed@, meaning they do not produce substantial income, your balance will be divided by the number of years in your program of study to determine the amount available for each year.
 2. **Statements of liquid investments.**

SPONSORS These may be your parents, other relatives or private organizations. You can be sponsored by more than one source. Each sponsor must provide ALL of the following documents to prove financial responsibility.

1. **Statement of Annual Financial Support.** This must be signed before a notary public. There are notary publics at all U.S. embassies and consulates. Instead of a U.S. notary public, the statement can be signed before an official licensed by your country's government to take sworn statements for courts of law or to witness contracts and property deeds.
2. **Proof of Income.** This must be on the employer's letterhead, or income tax returns or receipts, or estimated by a bank or private accountant if the sponsor is self-employed. If the sponsor owns the company, then the statement must show the amount of salary paid to the owner.
3. **Bank Statement.** This must be in the name of the sponsor, and state the date the account was opened, current balance in U.S. dollars, average deposits and average balances.

FSA Report for I-20 Applicants Now in the U.S. on Non-Immigrant Visa

INSTRUCTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN THE UNITED STATES:

If you are on an F-1 visa, we are required to verify that you have maintained lawful status while in the United States. This form will help us to do that. You should complete section A, attach copies of your I-94 card (both sides) and all I-20 issued to you, and submit this to the Foreign or International Student Advisor at your current or most recently attended school or college. They must complete section B, and forward the form to SUNY Upstate. This section of the form must be completed and returned before the I-20 can be issued.

Section A: Applicant Information

Name: _____
Last Name First Name

Country of Birth _____ Country of Citizenship _____

Most recent U.S. school/college attended: _____

Institution Address: _____

Dates of Attendance: from _____ to _____

I hereby authorize the International Student Advisor at the U.S. institution named above to review the information provided here and on the attached photocopied documents (s), and to provide the comments and information requested in Section B of this form.

Signature

Date

SECTION B: FOREIGN STUDENT ADVISOR REPORT

Instructions to the Foreign Student Advisor at the institution currently or most recently attended by the applicant: Before filling out this section, please review the information the applicant has provided in Section A against the records maintained by your office. Please answer the following questions and return this form to the address shown at the bottom of the page. Thank you.

1. Is the information furnished in Section A (including photocopies of I-20 - certificates of eligibility forms) complete and accurate? YES NO

If NO, please comment: _____

2. To the best of knowledge, is this student currently in lawful F-1 status?
 YES NO

3. Has the student ever been reinstated to F-1 status? YES NO
If YES, please indicate the date the reinstatement was approved: _____

4. If the applicant is in F-1 status, please indicate from your records his/her:

SEVIS ID Number: _____

Dates of attendance at your institution: From _____ to _____

Practical training authorized by your institution (please indicate type and specific dates):

SEVIS Transfer Out/Release Date: _____

Name and Title of International Student Advisor:

Institution Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Signature: _____

