

Broadcast Message: New Process to Submit Form I-515A Documentation Begins Sept. 30, 2024

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General Information

Beginning Monday, Sept. 30, the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will only accept emailed documentation for the Form I-515A, “Notice to Student or Exchange Visitor.” This change was previously announced in June 2024, via [Broadcast Message: 2406-05](#).

Nonimmigrant students and exchange visitors who receive a Form I-515A from a U.S. Customs and Border Protection officer must email their required documentation to the SEVP Form I-515A Processing Team at SEVIS.I-515@ice.dhs.gov instead of mailing the documents to SEVP. This process change will expedite the Form I-515A processing times while eliminating the costs and risks associated with mailing original documents.

SEVP will email nonimmigrant students or exchange visitors, as well as the designated school official or alternate responsible officer, to notify them when the required documents are processed or if additional documentation is needed. SEVP will follow up with an email when the student or exchange visitor’s documents have been processed. If the student or exchange visitor’s admission to the United States has been extended for their duration of status, they may then retrieve their updated Form I-94, “Arrival/Departure Record, from the [Form I-94 website](#).

As a reminder, nonimmigrant students or exchange visitors who receive a Form I-515A have 30 calendar days from their date of entry into the United States to email their documents to SEVP.

For more information about the Form I-515A process, please visit the [Form I-515A Overview](#) on [Study in the States](#). Stakeholders with questions can also contact the SEVP Response Center (SRC) via phone at 703-603-3400 or 1-800-892-4829 or via email at SEVP@ice.dhs.gov. The SRC is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET, except for federal holidays.

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