
Steps to Get an F-1 Entry Visa

1. Download your I-20
2. Check the [current wait times for visa appointments and issuance](#) in your city
3. Pay the [SEVIS Fee](#), if applicable
4. Complete the [Visa Application form DS-160](#)
5. Make a visa appointment and go to an interview at a U.S. embassy or consulate; bring the following to your visa appointment:
 - Passport (valid at least six months into the future)
 - I-20 (for F-1 visa)
 - Proof of admission
 - Proof of financial support (private sponsor's affidavit of support and bank statement, support letter from academic department or letter from sponsoring agency or government); documentation should be less than a year old and should match the funding stated on your I-20
 - SEVIS Fee receipt