

Summer
Sessions
International
Student
Tutorial



Preparing for your summer in Berkeley

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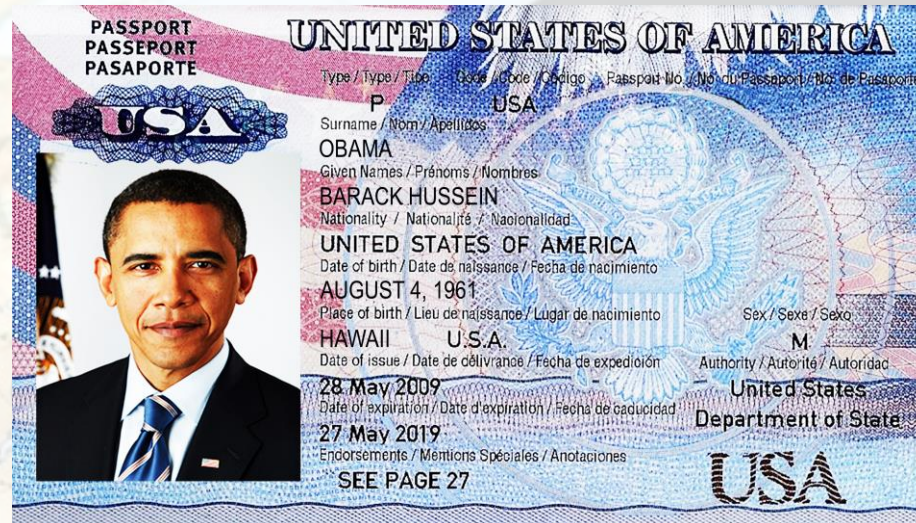
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Get your passport ready

Renew your passport if it will expire in the next 6 months.

Photocopy the biographical page to carry with you after arrival in the U.S.



Understanding your I-20

SEVIS ID number
Log into [VSIS](#) to view the SEVIS number

You may enter the U.S. up to **30 days** before the start date

Expiration Date
You are allowed **60 days** to depart the U.S. or transfer to a new school after the expiration date.

Carry the I-20 with you when you travel. Do not pack it away in your luggage!

Department of Homeland Security U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement		I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status OMB NO. 1653-0038	
SEVIS ID: N0004705512			
SURNAME/PRIMARY NAME Doe Smith	GIVEN NAME Joan	CLASS F-1	
PREFERRED NAME John Doe-Smith	PASSPORT NAME	ACADEMIC AND LANGUAGE	
COUNTRY OF BIRTH UNITED KINGDOM	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP UNITED KINGDOM		
DATE OF BIRTH 01 JANUARY 1980	ADMISSION NUMBER		
FORM ISSUE REASON INITIAL ATTENDANCE	LEGACY NAME John Doe-Smith		
SCHOOL INFORMATION			
SCHOOL NAME SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies		SCHOOL ADDRESS 9002 Nancy Lane, Ft. Washington, MD 20744	
SCHOOL OFFICIAL TO CONTACT UPON ARRIVAL Helene Robertson PD50		SCHOOL CODE AND APPROVAL DATE SAL21F4444000 03 APRIL 2015	
PROGRAM OF STUDY			
EDUCATION LEVEL DOCTORATE	MAJOR 1 Economics, General 45.0601	MAJOR 2 None 00.0000	
NORMAL PROGRAM LENGTH 72 Months	PROGRAM ENGLISH PROFICIENCY Required	ENGLISH PROFICIENCY NOTES Student is proficient	
PROGRAM START DATE 01 SEPTEMBER 2015	PROGRAM END DATE 31 MAY 2021		
FINANCIALS			
ESTIMATED AVERAGE COSTS FOR: 9 MONTHS		STUDENT'S FUNDING FOR: 9 MONTHS	
Tuition and Fees	\$ 23,000	Personal Funds	\$ 3,000
Living Expenses	\$ 6,000	Scholarship and Teaching Assistantship	\$ 29,000
Expenses of Dependents (1)	\$ 3,000	Funds From Another Source	\$
Other	\$	On-Campus Employment	\$
TOTAL	\$ 32,000	TOTAL	\$ 32,000
REMARKS Orientation begins 8/25/2015. Please report to ISSS upon arrival.			
SCHOOL ATTESTATION			
I certify under penalty of perjury that all information provided above was entered before I signed this form and is true and correct. I executed this form in the United States after review and evaluation in the United States by me or other officials of the school of the student's application, transcripts, or other records of courses taken and proof of financial responsibility, which were received at the school prior to the execution of this form. The school has determined that the above named student's qualifications meet all standards for admission to the school and the student will be required to pursue a full program of study as defined by 8 CFR 214.2(f)(6). I am a designated school official of the above named school and am authorized to issue this form.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DATE ISSUED	PLACE ISSUED	
SIGNATURE OF: Helene Robertson, PD50	21 April 2015	Ft. Washington, MD	
STUDENT ATTESTATION			
I have read and agreed to comply with the terms and conditions of my admission and those of any extension of stay. I certify that all information provided on this form refers specifically to me and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I seek to enter or remain in the United States temporarily, and solely for the purpose of pursuing a full program of study at the school named above. I also authorize the named school to release my information from my records needed by DHS pursuant to 8 CFR 214.3(g) to determine my nonimmigrant status. Parent or guardian, and student, must sign if student is under 18.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SIGNATURE OF: John Doe Smith	DATE	
NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SIGNATURE	ADDRESS (city/state or province/country) DATE	

Understanding your I-20

Make sure you keep all I-20 pages together.

Travel Signature
Located on page 3
of the I-20.

Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status
OMB NO. 1653-0038

SEVIS ID: N0004705512 (F-1)

NAME: John Doe Smith

EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	TYPE
EMPLOYMENT START DATE	EMPLOYMENT END DATE
EMPLOYER NAME	EMPLOYER LOCATION
COMMENTS	

CHANGE OF STATUS/CAP-GAP EXTENSION

REQUESTED VISA TYPE	REQUEST/PETITION STATUS	RECEIPT NUMBER	BENEFIT START DATE/REQUEST DATE
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EVENT HISTORY

EVENT NAME	EVENT DATE
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OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

AUTHORIZATION	START DATE	END DATE
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TRAVEL ENDORSEMENT

This page when properly endorsed, may be used for reentry of the student to attend the same school after a temporary absence from the United States. Each certification signature is valid for one year.

SCHOOL OFFICIAL	TITLE	SIGNATURE	DATE ISSUED	PLACE ISSUED
Heidi Church	DSO	X <i>Heidi Church</i>	05/25/2016	Berkeley, CA
		X		
		X		
		X		

Pay the SEVIS fee

Pay SEVIS (i-901) fee at least 3 days prior to visa interview.

Visit the [SEVIS fee web page](#) for more details.

Make copies of the SEVIS fee receipt (i-797) & carry during travel.

Department of Homeland Security U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services		I-797C, Notice of Action	
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA			
RECEIPT NUMBER CCY 0000000000001		CASE TYPE I-901 - Application	
RECEIVED DATE SEP 1, 2004	PRIORITY DATE	APPLICANT ZHANG SHENGLI	SEVIS ID: N0051664668
NOTICE DATE November 04, 2004	PAGE 1 of 1	ASC CODE N/A	
ZHANG SHENGLI ROOM401, BUILDING NO.1, HAIDIAN DISTRICT BEIJING 100083 CHINA			NOTICE TYPE: Receipt Notice Amount Received: \$100.00
ZHANG SHENGLI			
Your I-901 fee transmittal form has been received. Please notify us immediately if any of the above information is incorrect.			
This fee payment is valid only for your particular course of study or program. If you fall out of status, apply for a new F-1, F-3, M-1, M-3 or J-1 non-immigrant visa, or if you want to change your non-immigrant category to an F-1, F-3, M-1, M-3 or J-1, you may be required to pay another fee.			
Bring this receipt to the consulate as proof of payment of the SEVIS fee.			
Applicant Status: J-1		Receipt Copy: 01	
Date of Birth: 01/01/1970		Amount Received: \$100.00	
Program Number: P-1-00001			
SAMPLE			
I-901 Student/Exchange Visitor Processing Fee P.O. Box 970020 St. Louis, MO 63197-0020 Customer Service Telephone: 785-330-1048 <i>This form issued by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement</i>			

Make a visa appointment

Apply for a Visa

Read our [Applying For A Visa](#) webpage.

Visit the [U.S. Department of State](#) website.

Plan ahead!

Visit the [U.S. Department of State](#) for more details at least one month in advance.



Check visa for accuracy



Visa type: F-1

Expiration date

Number of Entries allowed:
M = multiple

The visa is used only for **entering** the U.S.

If it expires while you are here, there is **no need to renew it**.

If you leave the U.S., your visa must be **valid for re-entry**.

Keep documents safe

- Photocopy ALL your documents.
- Store originals and copies in two separate and **safe** locations.
- Carry photocopies of all your documents at all times.
- Take your **original** documents when traveling out of the area.

Keep all original documents. You could be asked to present them at future visa interviews!



Arrange housing early

Housing in the Bay Area is very competitive.
It is important to plan ahead.

Visit the Berkeley Summer Sessions website for more information about [Options for Student Housing During Summer Sessions.](#)

Purchase health insurance

The US healthcare system is complex and can get extremely expensive.

[Health Insurance Requirement](#)

J1 /J2 visa holders are held to strict, and higher, health insurance minimum requirements:

[J1 /J2 coverage details](#)



[Overview of the US Healthcare System](#) [video].

Buy a ticket

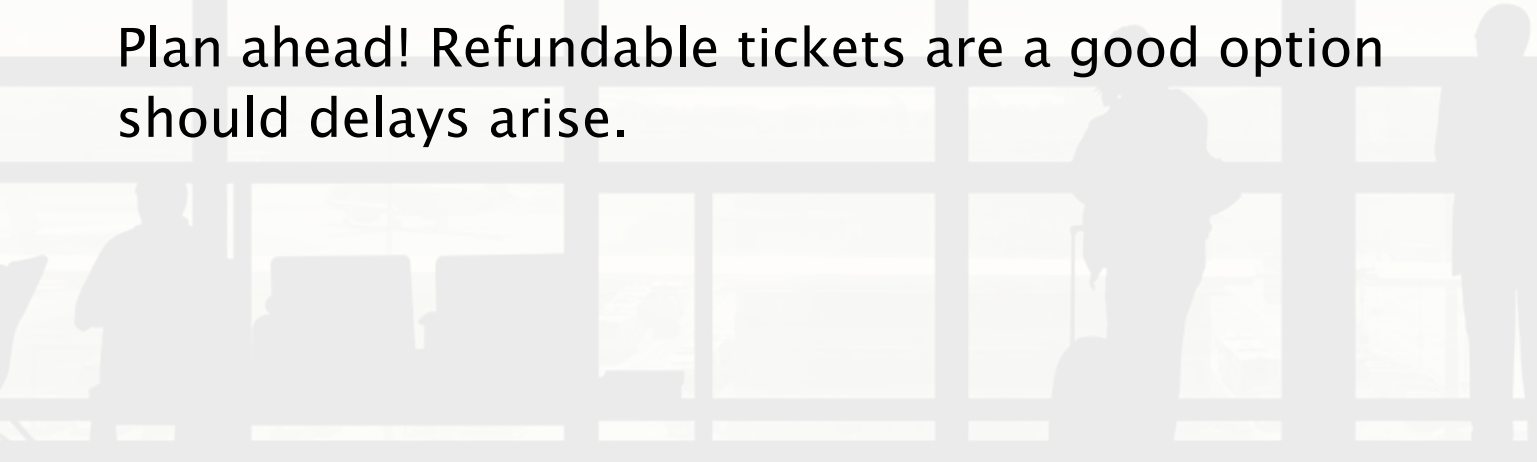


Recommended Arrival: 1 week before classes

30-Day Arrival Limit:

New F-1 students are NOT allowed to enter earlier than 30 days prior to program start date.

Plan ahead! Refundable tickets are a good option should delays arise.



Plan transportation from the airport

Most students arrive at:

[San Francisco Airport](#) or [Oakland Airport](#)

Here are some options for getting to UC Berkeley from the airport.



Airport Express Shuttle
[Bay Porter](#)



Bay Area Rapid Transit:
[BART](#)



Transit Trip Planner:
<http://511.org/>



At the U.S. port of entry

Be sure to present your I-20 and show your F-1 visa to the officer. Let them know you are requesting F-1 status.

Follow the [Arrival Procedures for Students](#) as outlined by U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

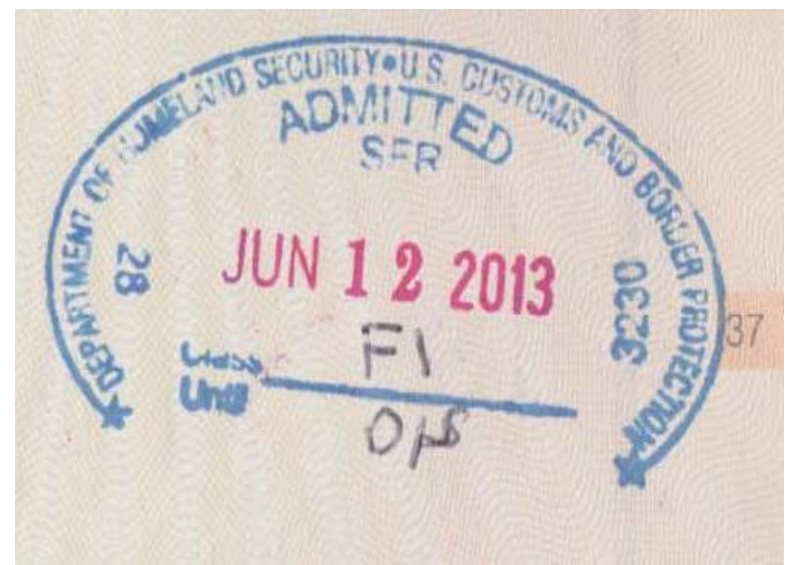
At the U.S. port of entry

The U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Officer places a stamp in your passport.

This shows your immigration status as F-1 or J-1 and “D/S.”

D/S is an abbreviation for “Duration of Status.”

It means you are legal to stay in the U.S. until the expiration date on your I-20 and as long as you remain a full-time student.

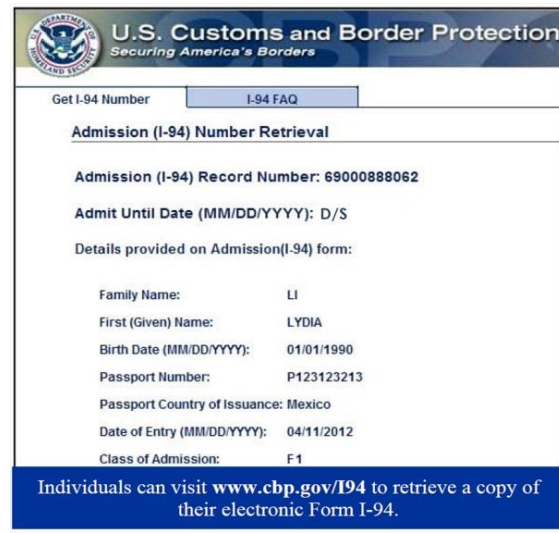


Port-of-Entry Stamp

At the U.S. port of entry

I-94: Arrival-Departure record.
Your Proof of Legal Entry into the U.S.

You will be asked to complete the Form I-94 and present it at the port of entry.



The screenshot shows the U.S. Customs and Border Protection website interface for retrieving an I-94 record. The header includes the agency logo and the slogan "Securing America's Borders". Below the header, there are two tabs: "Get I-94 Number" and "I-94 FAQ", with the latter being selected. The main content area is titled "Admission (I-94) Number Retrieval" and displays the following information:

- Admission (I-94) Record Number: 69000888062
- Admit Until Date (MM/DD/YYYY): D/S
- Details provided on Admission(I-94) form:
 - Family Name: LI
 - First (Given) Name: LYDIA
 - Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY): 01/01/1990
 - Passport Number: P123123213
 - Passport Country of Issuance: Mexico
 - Date of Entry (MM/DD/YYYY): 04/11/2012
 - Class of Admission: F1

A blue footer bar contains the text: "Individuals can visit www.cbp.gov/I94 to retrieve a copy of their electronic Form I-94."

Electronic Record

Print a copy of your electronic I-94 at www.cbp.gov/I94 upon arrival at Berkeley.

✓ **Preparing for your summer in Berkeley**

Review the other Summer Tutorials!

- **Arrival Essentials**
- **Finding your way on campus**

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