



INFORMATION FOR DESIGNATED SCHOOL OFFICIALS: UPDATING THE STUDENT AND EXCHANGE VISITOR INFORMATION SYSTEM (SEVIS) FOR F & M STUDENTS



U.S. Citizenship
and Immigration
Services



As a designated school official, you provide information to the SEVIS and that information affects the responses of SAVE Program.

The Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements ([SAVE](#)) program is administered by the Department of Homeland Security ([DHS](#)). SAVE uses the information in [SEVIS](#) to confirm the immigration status of F and M students and their dependents who apply for a benefit so that the administering agency can determine the students' or dependents' eligibility for the benefit.

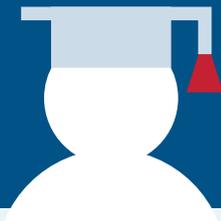
Visit the [DHS SEVIS Help Hub](#) for more guidance about how to properly report information in SEVIS.

DHS requests that you fulfill your [SEVIS reporting requirements](#) by regularly logging into the system and reading all of your alerts.

What Your F and M Students Need to Know

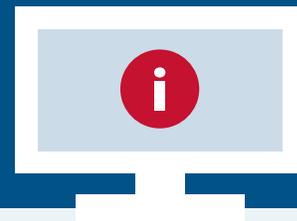
If an F or M student wants to apply for a Social Security number (SSN), please refer him or her to the [Social Security Administration](#) for information about how to apply.

For driver's licenses, F and M students should check with their state licensing agencies for requirements and instructions specific to that state. DHS recommends students wait at least 10 calendar days after arriving in the U.S. before applying for either an SSN or a driver's license.



Resources for Students

F and M students applying for a benefit like an SSN or a driver's license can use [SAVE CaseCheck](#) to follow the progress of their verification cases online. They may read about how SAVE works in foreign languages.



Additional Resources

For more information about the benefits that F and M students may be eligible for while they study in the United States, visit DHS' Study in the States pages for [Driving in the United States](#) and [Obtaining a Social Security Number](#).