



Form I-20 Information from International Student & Scholar Advising

I-20 and F-1 Visa: Action Required

- ☐ **Review the attached form I-20** Certification of Eligibility for F-1 visa. *(pages 3-5 of this attachment)*

Email international@psu.edu for any required corrections.

Note: the major listed on your I-20 is associated with a CIP Code (Classification of Instructional Programs Code). This code is predetermined by your department and attached to your major course of study. We cannot change your I-20 unless the change is made to your registration with The University.

- ☐ **Print the form I-20. Staple all 3 pages together.** You must have a printed version of the form I-20 for your visa interview process and for travel. The original form I-20 will not be mailed.
- ☐ **Sign and date your I-20 in ink** at the bottom of the first page at the “X” above your typed name.
Digital student signature is not accepted.
- ☐ **Learn about becoming an F-1 Student:** <https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/students>
- ☐ **Pay the I-901 SEVIS Fee:** <https://www.ice.gov/sevis/i901> SEVIS ID and School code are listed on the I-20.
- ☐ **Apply for an F-1 visa** with the U.S. Embassy in your country <https://www.usembassy.gov/>
- ☐ **Mandatory Immigration Check-In** must be completed in iStart. Start now and complete upon arrival.
Failure to complete the check-in process with ISSA will result in termination of your legal stay in the U.S.
- ☐ **Keeping a valid F-1 status is your responsibility.** <https://global.psu.edu/category/maintenance-status-0>

Important Tasks:

- ☐ **New Student Orientation for International Undergraduate Students:** Use the “tasklist” to make a reservation for the preferred NSO Program when available. You will attend an academic advising session and make course selections during NSO. <https://orientation.psu.edu/nso>
- ☐ **International Student Orientation for Graduate Students** who are new to Penn State: You are encouraged to join and learn about our University. <https://global.psu.edu/category/international-student-orientation-iso>
- ☐ Health Insurance coverage that meets Penn State standards is mandatory for all F-1 students and F-2 dependents who are in the U.S. <https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/health>
- ☐ The Bursar handles University billing. Become familiar with your student billing account.
<https://www.bursar.psu.edu/welcome-penn-state>
- ☐ Immunizations are required and must be submitted online. <https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/health>
- ☐ Housing: <https://liveon.psu.edu/> Complete an on-campus housing contract or secure off campus housing.



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Tuition Information:

The [Board of Trustees](#) approves the tuition rates and mandatory fees for the academic year in July. The tuition listed on your I-20 is an estimated amount and may not reflect the actual charges that will appear on your University Account Statement. You must evaluate your finances prior to the start of each semester.

Financial Guarantees: We use broad estimates when determining financial guarantee requirements. Individual living expenses are different depending on where in Pennsylvania you are living and other lifestyle choices. Additional funding from the university is not available or implied. Evaluate your finances prior to arrival and be prepared for increases each year.

Other Information:

Scam Alert:

Do not become a victim of scams, schemes, or theft. Know what to look for and how to avoid scams. Learn more on our website: <https://global.psu.edu/article/international-student-scholars-scam-alert>

Student Disability Resources:

Penn State is committed to diversity and equity and to provide help for all individuals to fully engage while at Penn State by working to remove barriers to the campus and classroom. We encourage anyone with a disability to self-identify so we can provide services allowing full participation in classrooms, in labs, and on campus.

The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities:

<http://www.un.org/disabilities/convention/conventionfull.shtml> defines disability as including ... physical, mental intellectual or sensory impairments which in interaction with various barriers may hinder their full and effective participation . . . on an equal basis with others.

If you have or think you have a disability, please contact [Educational Equity \(psu.edu\)](#). To prepare for your arrival in the U.S., please also consult the resources available at Mobility International USA ([MIUSA](#)):

<http://www.miusa.org/plan/coming-to-usa>

Sponsored Students:

If you are funded by your home government or other sponsor, there are requirements and requests that you will encounter. Become familiar with the Penn State Global Sponsored Relations Office:

<https://global.psu.edu/category/currentpotential-sponsored-students>

Be sure to ask questions if you need help!

SEVIS ID: N0036223465

SURNAME/PRIMARY NAME Khosravi Kazazi	GIVEN NAME Ali	Class of Admission F-1 ACADEMIC AND LANGUAGE
PREFERRED NAME Ali Khosravi Kazazi	PASSPORT NAME Khosravi Kazazi Ali	
COUNTRY OF BIRTH IRAN	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP IRAN	
CITY OF BIRTH Arak	DATE OF BIRTH 28 NOVEMBER 1992	
FORM ISSUE REASON INITIAL ATTENDANCE	ADMISSION NUMBER	

SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL NAME The Pennsylvania State University University Park	SCHOOL ADDRESS International Student Advising*, 410 Boucke Building, University Park, PA 16802
SCHOOL OFFICIAL TO CONTACT UPON ARRIVAL Christopher Corman Pre-Arrival Adviser	SCHOOL CODE AND APPROVAL DATE PHI214F00579000 08 JANUARY 2003

PROGRAM OF STUDY

EDUCATION LEVEL DOCTORATE	MAJOR 1 Geography and Environmental Studies 30.4401	MAJOR 2 None 00.0000
PROGRAM ENGLISH PROFICIENCY Required	ENGLISH PROFICIENCY NOTES Student is proficient	EARLIEST ADMISSION DATE 13 DECEMBER 2024
START OF CLASSES 13 JANUARY 2025	PROGRAM START/END DATE 12 JANUARY 2025 - 06 MAY 2029	

FINANCIALS

ESTIMATED AVERAGE COSTS FOR: 12 MONTHS		STUDENT'S FUNDING FOR: 12 MONTHS	
Tuition and Fees	\$ 34,300	Personal Funds	\$ 0
Living Expenses	\$ 23,300	Assistantship	\$ 59,005
Expenses of Dependents (0)	\$	Funds From Another Source	\$
Health Insurance	\$ 800	On-Campus Employment	\$
TOTAL	\$ 58,400	TOTAL	\$ 59,005

REMARKS

Arrive by the start date listed on the I-20. Students must be enrolled full time with in-person physical presence requirements. Health insurance is mandatory for all international students and dependents. Expenses are estimates. Exact rates are published at www.bursar.psu.edu. Upon Arrival: complete Mandatory Immigration Check-In.

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.

X	DATE ISSUED	PLACE ISSUED
SIGNATURE OF: Christopher Corman, Pre-Arrival Adviser	15 October 2024	University Park, PA

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 any 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.**

X			
SIGNATURE OF: Ali Khosravi Kazazi	DATE		
	X		
NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS (city/state or province/country)	DATE

SEVIS ID: N0036223465 (F-1) NAME: Ali Khosravi Kazazi

EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

CHANGE OF STATUS/CAP-GAP EXTENSION

AUTHORIZED REDUCED COURSE LOAD

CURRENT SESSION DATES

CURRENT SESSION START DATE	CURRENT SESSION END DATE

TRAVEL ENDORSEMENT

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

Designated School Official	TITLE	SIGNATURE	DATE ISSUED	PLACE ISSUED
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

STUDENT ATTESTATION. You should read everything on this page carefully. Be sure that you understand the terms and conditions concerning your admission and stay in the United States as a nonimmigrant student before signing the student attestation on page 1 of the Form I-20 A-B. The law provides severe penalties for knowingly and willfully falsifying or concealing a material fact, or using any false document in the submission of this form.

FORM I-20. The Form I-20 (this form) is the primary document to show that you have been admitted to school in the United States and that you are authorized to apply for admission to the United States in F-1 class of admission. You must have your Form I-20 with you at all times. If you lose your Form I-20, you must request a new one from your designated school official (DSO) at the school named on your Form I-20.

VISA APPLICATION. You must give this Form I-20 to the U.S. consular officer at the time you apply for a visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements). If you have a Form I-20 from more than one school, be sure to present the Form I-20 for the school you plan to attend. Your visa will include the name of that school, and you must attend that school upon entering the United States. You must also provide evidence of support for tuition and fees and living expenses while you are in the United States.

ADMISSION. When you enter the United States, you must present the following documents to the officer at the port of entry: 1) a Form I-20; 2) a valid F-1 visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements); 3) a valid passport; and 4) evidence of support for tuition and fees and living expenses while you are in the United States. The agent should return all documents to you before you leave the inspection area.

REPORT TO SCHOOL NAMED ON YOUR FORM I-20 AND VISA. Upon your first entry to the United States, you must report to the DSO at the school named on your Form I-20 and your F-1 visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements). If you decide to attend another school before you enter the United States, you must present a Form I-20 from the new school to a U.S. consular officer for a new F-1 visa that names the new school. Failure to enroll in the school, by the program start date on your Form I-20 may result in the loss of your student status and subject you to deportation.

EMPLOYMENT. Unlawful employment in the United States is a reason for terminating your F-1 status and deporting you from the United States. You may be employed on campus at your school. You may be employed off-campus in curricular practical training (CPT) if you have written permission from your DSO. You may apply to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) for off-campus employment authorization in three circumstances: 1) employment with an international organization; 2) severe and unexpected economic hardship; and 3) optional practical training (OPT) related to your degree. You must have written authorization from USCIS before you begin work. Contact your DSO for details. Your spouse or child (F-2 classification) may not work in the United States.

PERIOD OF STAY. You may remain in the United States while taking a full course of study or during authorized employment after your program. F-1 status ends and you are required to leave the United States on the earliest of the following dates: 1) the program end date on your Form I-20 plus 60 days; 2) the end date of your OPT plus 60 days; or 3) the termination of your program for any other reason. Contact your DSO for details.

EXTENSION OF PROGRAM. If you cannot complete the education program by the program end date on page 1 of your Form I-20, you should contact your DSO at least 15 days before the program end date to request an extension.

SCHOOL TRANSFER. To transfer schools, first notify the DSO at the school you are attending of your plan to transfer, then obtain a Form I-20 from the DSO at the school you plan to attend. Return the Form I-20 for the new school to the DSO at that school within 15 days after beginning attendance at the new school. The DSO will then report the transfer to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). You must enroll in the new school at the next session start date. The DSO at the new school must update your registration in SEVIS.

NOTICE OF ADDRESS. When you arrive in the United States, you must report your U.S. address to your DSO. If you move, you must notify your DSO of your new address within 10 days of the change of address. The DSO will update SEVIS with your new address.

REENTRY. F-1 students may leave the United States and return within a period of five months. To return, you must have: 1) a valid passport; 2) a valid F-1 student visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements); and 3) your Form I-20, page 2, properly endorsed for reentry by your DSO. If you have been out of the United States for more than five months, contact your DSO.

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION BY SCHOOL. DHS requires your school to provide DHS with your name, country of birth, current address, immigration status, and certain other information on a regular basis or upon request. Your signature on the Form I-20 authorizes the named school to release such information from your records.

PENALTY. To maintain your nonimmigrant student status, you must: 1) remain a full-time student at your authorized school; 2) engage only in authorized employment; and 3) keep your passport valid. Failure to comply with these regulations will result in the loss of your student status and subject you to deportation.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SCHOOLS

Failure to comply with 8 CFR 214.3(k) and 8 CFR 214.4 when issuing Forms I-20 will subject you and your school to criminal prosecution. If you issue this form improperly, provide false information, or fail to submit required reports, DHS may withdraw its certification of your school for attendance by nonimmigrant students.

ISSUANCE OF FORM I-20. DSOs may issue a Form I-20 for any nonimmigrant your school has accepted for a full course of study if that person: 1) plans to apply to enter the United States in F-1 status; 2) is in the United States as an F-1 nonimmigrant and plans to transfer to your school; or 3) is in the United States and will apply to change nonimmigrant status to F-1. DSOs may also issue the Form I-20 to the spouse or child (under the age of 21) of an F-1 student to use to enter or remain in the United States as an F-2 dependent. DSOs must sign where indicated at the bottom of page 1 of the Form I-20 to attest that the form is completed and issued in accordance with regulations.

ENDORSEMENT OF PAGE 2 FOR REENTRY. If there have been no substantive changes in information, DSOs may endorse page 2 of the Form I-20 for the student and/or the F-2 dependents to reenter the United States. If there have been substantive changes, the DSO should issue and sign a new Form I-20 that includes those changes.

RECORDKEEPING. DHS may request information concerning the student's immigration status for various reasons. DSOs should retain all evidence of academic ability and financial resources on which admission was based, until SEVIS shows the student's record completed or terminated.

AUTHORITY FOR COLLECTING INFORMATION. Authority for collecting the information on this and related student forms is contained in 8 U.S.C. 1101 and 1184. The Department of State and DHS use this information to determine eligibility for the benefits requested. The law provides severe penalties for knowingly and willfully falsifying or concealing a material fact, or using any false document in the submission of this form.

REPORTING BURDEN. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement collects this information as part of its agency mission under the Department of Homeland Security. The estimated average time to review the instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the needed data, and complete and review the collection of information is 30 minutes (.50 hours) per response. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to an information collection unless a form displays a currently valid OMB Control number. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: Office of the Chief Information Officer/Forms Management Branch, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 801 I Street NW Stop 5800, Washington, DC 20536-5800. Do not send the form to this address.