INS launches Web site to track students with visas

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The Immigration and Naturalization Service has <u>launched</u> the Internet <u>Web site</u> that the nation's universities will soon use to register foreign <u>students</u>.

The move is the first step <u>in</u> the government's plan to <u>track</u> the movements of all those with temporary <u>visas</u>, according to <u>INS</u> officials.

Schools that have received <u>INS</u> permission to accept foreign <u>students</u> for three years can begin using the <u>Web</u> <u>site</u> system immediately, the agency announced Tuesday.

Other schools will have to go through an extended review period to gain approval to use the system, called "SEVIS." The system will become mandatory Jan. 30, 2003.

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