US Student Visa Process

· Obtain I-20 Complete DS – 160: https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/ Step 2 Pay the SEVIS Fee: https://www.fmjfee.com/i901fee/index.jsp Step 3 Create a profile on: https://cgifederal.secure.force.com/ and pay the visa application fees Step 4 Book an interview through: https://cgifederal.secure.force.com/ Step 5 Schedule OFC Appointment through: https://cgifederal.secure.force.com/ Step 6 Collate the Visa Documents for OFC Appointment and Interview in the US Embassy Step 7 Visit the OFC: http://www.ustraveldocs.com/in/in-nivoffsitecollectionservices.asp#ofclocations Step 8 · Interview with the embassy Step 9 Visa Decision Step 10

Important Links

Apply for Visa: http://www.ustraveldocs.com/in/index.html?firstTime=No

FAQ on Student Visa: http://www.ustraveldocs.com/in/in-gen-faq.asp#qlistfandm

Visa Fees: http://www.ustraveldocs.com/in/in-niv-visafeeinfo.asp

DS - 160 Form: https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/default.aspx

SEVIS: https://www.fmjfee.com/i901fee/index.jsp

Profile for paying the fee & visa appointment:

https://cgifederal.secure.force.com/?language=English&country=India

VISA DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

BLOCK: 1

Passport

DS-160 Confirmation and Visa Appointment Confirmation (Post OFC) Visa Fee Payment Receipt (Axis Bank / If paid online not required)

BLOCK: 2

I-20 (original) and Scholarship Letter (If Any) SEVIS Payment Confirmation (www.fmjfee.com)

BLOCK: 3

IELTS (original) / TOEFL / PTE and GRE / GMAT / SAT

BLOCK: 4

Class 10, 12th, Bachelors (Masters if available) (originals)

Work Experience Letter / Offer Letters / Payslips / Form-16 (if available)

BLOCK: 5 Funds

Education Loan Letter: Details of Amount / University / Program / Collateral Security / EMI / Rate of

Interest / Guarantors

Bank Certificate along with 6 Months Statement (Passbook if available)

FD Xerox/Original & Covering Letter from Bank

Postal Deposits: Pass Book

PF: Online Statement or Covering Letter by the concern Dept

Gold Valuation: Issued by the Govt Approved Valuer

LIC / Shares: Surrender Value Certificate

BLOCK: 6 Incomes

Salary: Form-16 (Pay slips for 6 Months & Offer Letter if available)

Business: ITR for last 3 Years (Computation if available)

Agriculture: Certificate from E/ME-Seva - Tahsildar/MRO/VRO/VAO along with PassBooks

(Market Yard / WareHouse Slips can also be used)

Rents: Rental Agreement (Rental income has to be added in Individual ITR)

BLOCK: 7 Properties

Lands/Plots: Sale Deed Photo Copy (EC If available)

House/Flat: Sale Deed Photo Copy (EC If available)

Agriculture: Certificate from E/ME-Seva - Tahsildar/MRO/VRO/VAO along with PassBooks Vehicles/Machines: Surrender Value Certificate as per Self Declaration Affidavit / CA

BLOCK: 8

CA / CE / Affidavits (This are not Mandatory - Speak to your Counsellor for formats)

BLOCK: 9

Other Admits

BLOCK: 10

Extra-Curricular / Internship Certificates

SOP & CV



^{***}Please speak to your counsellor for the necessary documents***



Visa Questions

WHY UNITED STATES OF AMERICA?

- · Why do you wish to study in USA and not in India?
- Why did you select US for higher studies? Isn't this course offered by any university or colleges in India?
- · What is the purpose of your trip?
- Have you ever been to US?

ABOUT INSTITUTE/UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE

- Which US University are you planning to go to?
- Can you tell me some details about your university?
- · Why have you chosen this specific university?
- Can you tell me the location of the university/college?
- Why did you choose this institute and how did you find about it?
- How many US universities did you apply for? (Both admits and rejects)
- Can you mention the names of some professors?
- · Did you receive any scholarships?

ABOUT YOUR COURSE

- · What course are you going for?
- · Why did you select this course? Is it relevant to your previous studies?
- · Why are you taking this course?
- · What is the course structure & contents?
- Why don't you do this course in your country?
- How long will your studies last?
- What is the scope of your course?
- What do you plan to study at the university?
- · What benefit will bring this course to you?
- What is the course commencement date?
- · What will be the total cost of per year?
- · Where will you stay in US?

YOUR ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

- Where did you do your last course of study?
- What is your specialization?
- What is your High School, Degree or Master's percentage or grade?
- What are your subjects in last course of study (High School, Degree or Master's)?

CURRENT JOB/BUSINESS (if applicable)

- Show your Experience Certificate. (if applicable)
- (If you are currently working) Why are you leaving your current job?

TOEFL/IELTS, GRE, GMAT, SAT

- Could you please show me your TOEFL/IELTS scorecard?
- Why are your TOEFL/IELTS score low



ABOUT YOUR FAMILY

- What does your father do?
- How many brothers and sisters do you have?
- · What is your father's annual income?
- · Where your brother/parents did completed their studies?
- · Do you have a brother / sister, or any other relative already at this university?
- Where did your brother/parents complete their studies?

SPONSOR AND FINANCIAL DETAIL

- · Have you got any loans?
- What are the sources of income of your sponsor?
- What proof do you have that your sponsor can support your studies?
- · Who is paying for your education and what is his/her income?
- · Who is sponsoring you?
- · Could you please show me the passbook or bank statements?
- How many people are dependents of your sponsor?
- Why is he sponsoring you? (if not father)
- How much money is available for your stay in US?
- How are you related to your sponsor (if not father)?
- How will you finance your education funds for 4 years? (Generally you have to prove that you can fund the first year of education but we suggest that you be prepared with this answer).

FUTURE PLANS (CAREER PROSPECTS)

- What are you plans after completing your studies?
- Have you researched your career prospects?
- What will you do after completing BA/B.SC/BS/PGD/MA/MBA/MS/M.Sc?
- What will you do after coming back to Home?
- How much money can you earn after your completion of studies?
- What are you future plans after completion of your studies?
- Do you intend to work in US during or after completion of your studies?
- · How can you prove that you will come back after finishing your studies?

RELATIVES IN US

- Do you have any relatives in the US?
- Do you know anyone (in USA) in your University?

VISA OR REFUSAL

- Why should I grant you U.S. Visa?
- What will you do if your US Visa is rejected?

MISCELLANEOUS

- Have you ever visited any other country?
- Will you come back to home during summers?
- What will you do during the off period/semester?