

## I-901 SEVIS FEE PAYMENT INSTRUCTION

Federal regulation requires all F-1 students and J-1 exchange visitors to pay the I-901 Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) Fee to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security before an F-1 or J-1 visa can be issued. The fee must be paid AFTER an I-20 or DS-2019 is issued but BEFORE an F-1 or J-1 visa application is submitted to a U.S. Consulate.

An I-901 SEVIS Fee Payment receipt must be attached to an I-20 or DS-2019 for F-1 or J-1 visa application as proof of payment. The receipt may be printed out during the online payment process or from the 'Check Status' page at a later time.

### Who must pay the I-901 SEVIS Fee?

- All new students whose I-20s are issued for “**Initial Attendance**” or “**Change of Status**”
- All J-1 Exchange Visitors whose DS-2019s are issued for “**Begin New Program**”

*Note: F-2 and J-2 dependents **do NOT** need to pay the I-901 SEVIS fee.*

Those whose F-1 or J-1 visa stamp is still valid but are in the following situation also need to pay the fee:

- An F-1 student who wishes to re-enter the United States to continue study after being absent from the United States for more than five months unless participating in authorized overseas study.
- Any F-1 or J-1 visa holder applying for reinstatement of legal status because of a violation of status

### I-901 SEVIS Fee Payment Options:

- An F-1/J-1 visa applicant with a country of citizenship or country of birth of Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria or Gambia must pay by money order, Western Union Quick Pay, or by certified check drawn from a U.S. bank. All others have the option to make a credit card payment on [FMJfee.com](http://FMJfee.com).
- DHS will accept third party payments (i.e. someone else can pay your SEVIS I-901 fee using the same method of payment). For students who cannot pay the fee by credit card, third party payers are also restricted from paying the fee by credit card.
- For instructions on how to complete the Western Union Quick Pay/Quick Collect form, please visit <https://www.ice.gov/sevis/i901/wu-instructions>

### Information for Item #14 and #15 on Form I-901:

**F-1 ONLY:** Item #14 - School Code: **NEW214F00147003**

Item #15 - SEVIS Identification Number: **Printed on I-20 above SURNAME/PRIMARY NAME**

**J-1 ONLY:** Item #14 - Program Number: **P-1-10111**

Item #15 - SEVIS Identification Number: **Printed on DS-2019 at upper right corner**

Visa Type	I-901 SEVIS Fee Amount
<b>F-1 Student</b>	<b>\$200</b>
<b>J-1 Scholar or Student</b> <i>– Special Note to J-1 visa applicants: If you have paid Rutgers a SEVIS ADMINISTRATIVE fee for you and your dependents through your Rutgers sponsoring department, that is a <u>university</u> internal fee charged to help reduce the administrative cost. It is different from this I-901 SEVIS Fee which you pay directly to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.</i>	<b>\$180</b>