YOUR PATH TO AN F-1 STUDENT VISA

The I-20 Request Process

Complete your application to Engineering Innovation. You can start the visa process only after you are admitted.

You will receive an email about obtaining an I-20. Follow those instructions to submit the on-line request form.

The email will also tell you how to set up the shipment of your I-20 through Eshipglobal. Your I-20 will be completed within 2 weeks. You will be notified when it is shipped.

Schedule a visa appointment to apply for an F-1 visa. (Citizens of Canada and Bermuda do not need a visa but still require the I-20 to enter.)

Receive your I-20 and review it for accuracy. While you wait for your I-20 to arrive, pay your SEVIS fee and visit the website of the nearest U.S. consulate to learn about visa appointment requirements.

Obtain F-1 visa. This will be placed in the passport by the U.S. consulate.

Remember: You MUST carry the original I-20 visa certificate along with your passport when entering the U.S.

Plan travel to Baltimore. You may enter the U.S. up to 30 days before your I-20 start date.