

PAY SEVIS FEE

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal SEVIS Fee took effect on September 1, 2004. Applicants for J-2 dependent visas are NOT required to pay the SEVIS fee.

Your department may have paid the SEVIS fee for you. Two copies of the receipt should be included with your U.S. Department of State Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1) Status (COEEV) – Form DS2019.

If you are responsible for paying the SEVIS fee, please follow the directions below:

- You will need information from your **COEEV - Form DS-2019** to pay your SEVIS fee.
- The SEVIS fee must be paid **at least three business days before the visa interview**, unless you have a printed receipt from an Internet payment.
- **Take copy of receipt to visa interview.**
- The SEVIS fee **cannot** be paid at the embassy or consulate, or at the U.S. Border.
- If you are a Canadian citizen, you are therefore exempt from the U.S. visa requirement; however, you are still required to pay the SEVIS fee.
- **A visa will not be issued unless the visa officer can verify that the SEVIS fee payment has been made.** However, you may schedule your visa interview prior to paying the SEVIS fee.

NOTE: The SEVIS fee is not refundable, with one exception. If your visa application is denied and you decide to re-apply for the same type of visa at a later date, you will not be asked to make a second SEVIS fee payment as long as your visa application is made within 12-months of the initial denial. Exception: If you are denied a visa and do not wish to re-apply, or if your visa application is denied a second time, you may request a refund.

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- Enter the UAF Program Code P-1-01151 (also on your COEEV – Form DS-2019 form)
- Enter your SEVIS ID number, (starts with "N00") which is printed in the top right corner of your COEEV – Form DS-2019, above the bar code.
- Be sure to enter your personal information *exactly* as it appears on the COEEV – Form DS-2019.

Paying on the Internet with Credit Card:

Once you have received your **COEEV - Form DS-2019**, you can make the fee payment by submitting form I-901 on-line using a credit card. The **SEVIS Form I-901** web address is <http://www.fmjfee.com>.

MasterCard, Visa, or American Express debit or credit cards are accepted. It does not matter if the card was issued in the United States or overseas. Follow the on-line instructions, include the required credit card information, and print out the payment screen to verify your payment. The printed receipt should be presented at the visa interview or at the U.S. port of entry as proof of payment. **When paying the fee on the Internet, it is essential that your printer be ready before starting the payment process.**

DO NOT EXIT THE RECEIPT PAGE UNTIL YOU HAVE SUCCESSFULLY PRINTED THE RECEIPT. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RETURN TO THE RECEIPT PAGE.