F-1 Students

Before you begin the visa application process, you must have the following documents:

[1]
Employment

There are limited opportunities for F-1 students to work while studying. Please review the information below and request employment permission as outlined.

[2]
Maintaining Legal Status

It is important that you maintain lawful F-1 status while in the U.S. There are some simple steps you can take to ensure that your stay in the U.S. remains valid.

[3]
Traveling

All international students, scholars, and family members planning to depart from the U.S. and return after a temporary absence must have a valid passport in order to exit the U.S.

[4]
Transferring To Yale

If you have been admitted to a new U.S. school, it may be possible to transfer your F-1 SEVIS record from your current school to Yale.

[5]
Spouses, Partners & Children

Spouses and children (under 21 and unmarried) of F-1 students hold F-2 status and may accompany you (or join you later) in the U.S. provided you demonstrate that there are sufficient financial resources for their support.

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