Applying for Your Initial U.S. Visa

See the Getting Started section or click here to learn how to apply for your initial U.S. visa.

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Visa, Immigration Status, and Entry Stamp

Learn about what these terms mean, and what the differences are between them.

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Applying for a New or Renewed Visa

After your visa expires, you must renew or apply for a new one if you plan to return to the U.S.
Visa Delays & Denials

Delays and denials related to visa applications, as well as resources for people in this situation.

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For Canadian Citizens

Canadian scholars have different requirements and regulations than those from other countries.

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J-2 Visas for Dependents

The spouse/partner and dependent children of the J-1 Exchange Visitor are eligible for J-2 status and may use this status to accompany their family member to the U.S.