

SEVIS FEE Payment

Before applying for an F1, M1 or J1 visa at a US consular office, international students and scholars must pay the SEVIS fee. Canadian citizens are visa exempt, but still must pay the fee.

There are three ways to pay the fee:

1. The fee may be paid to DHS by mail, by submitting Immigration Form-I-901 together with a check or money order payable in U.S. currency. You can access the form at the following website:
<http://www.ice.gov/doclib/sevis/pdf/I-901.pdf>
2. The fee may be paid electronically, by completing Form-I-901 through the Internet and using a credit card at this website:
<https://www.fmjfee.com/i901fee/>
3. The fee may be paid using Western Union's "Quick Pay" service http://www.ice.gov/sevis/i901/wu_instr.htm. The Western Union office collects the SEVIS fee in local currency, electronically transmits the payment to DHS, and then issues a receipt that serves as proof of payment.

DHS will accept payment from the student or exchange visitor, or from any person paying the fee on the student or exchange visitor's behalf.

DHS will issue a paper receipt, regardless of payment method. If the fee is paid by mail, express delivery service for the receipt may be requested at additional cost. Persons submitting the fee electronically will be able to print a receipt at the time of payment. Receipts must be presented to a consular officer at the time of the visa interview, and to an immigration officer at the port of entry into the U.S.

It is currently not possible to pay the SEVIS fee at a U.S. embassy or consulate, or at a U.S. port of entry, or by any means other than those listed above.

The SEVIS fee is non-refundable. However, if the visa is denied, the fee will not have to be repaid if a subsequent visa application is submitted within 12 months of the initial denial.

Remember to PRINT AT LEAST 2 COPIES OF THE RECEIPT!!!!

You can now check the status of your payment online at <https://www.fmjfee.com/i901fee/dhs/loadSearchPage.do>