

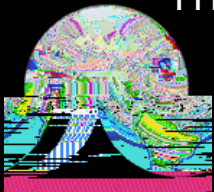
The DHS writes regulations and develops policies to implement the F-1 statute that establishes the parameters, procedures, conditions, benefits, duties, and restrictions of the F-1 category.

The DHS adjudicates I-17 petitions filed by schools that want to enroll F-1 students and designates those schools whose petitions it approves.

The DHS inspects F-1 students when they apply for admission at a U.S. port of entry, and admits them into the United States in F-1 status if they are found admissible.

The DHS adjudicates applications for certain benefits under the F-1 regulations.

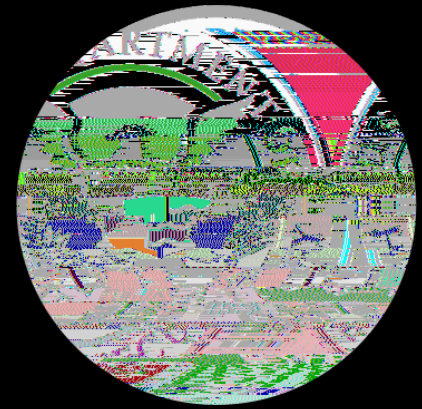
The DHS manages the Student Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS).





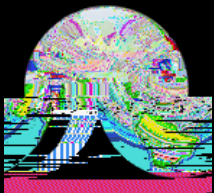
United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement

The principal investigative arm of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the second largest investigative agency in the federal government. ICE is responsible for identifying, investigating, and dismantling vulnerabilities regarding the nation's border, economic, transportation, and infrastructure security.



United States Citizenship and Immigration Services

As a component of the Department of Homeland Security, USCIS oversees lawful immigration to the United States. Some of the services managed by USCIS include obtaining citizenship, immigration of family members, and working in the US. International students applying for Optional Practical Training do so through USCIS.







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