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Document Requirements for SSN (Social Security Number) Application for International Students & Scholars

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Visa Type	F			J			Other	
	F-1 Student	F-1 Student on CPT	F-1 Student on OPT	J-1 Student	J-1 Professor/Scholar	J-2 Dependent	H1-B	TN
Must be verifiable in the SAVE database	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Passport (Not Expired)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
U.S. Visa (Not Expired or Expired)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (Mexico only, not Canada)
I-94 Card (Not Expired)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
I-20 or DS2019 (Not Expired)	Yes (I-20)	Yes (I-20 with CPT p. 3)	Yes (with OPT on p.3 I-20 is expired)	Yes (DS-2019)	Yes (DS-2019)	Yes (DS-2019)	No	No
EAD - must be currently valid (not expired) – date effective	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No
Social Security Letter from Int'l Center	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Letter from Employer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Form I-797 Approval Notice & for COS student will take a while	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No

* F-2, H-4 and TD visa holders are NOT eligible to apply for a Social Security Number.

* Citizens of Canada do NOT need U.S. visa to apply for a Social Security Number.

* Wait 10 days once in US to apply or your application will be delayed.

* Make sure the address used on the SSN application is valid and that your name is on the mailbox.