

SEVIS Release 4.10 System Changes

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The following highlights the functionality for this release for all users:

- The Help screens will function correctly for users who access SEVIS using Netscape version 7.0.

The following highlights the functionality for this release for F/M school users:

Alerts and Lists

- For M-1 Extension, M-1 Transfer, and Change of Status [to F/M] requests, the pending records will be displayed until the adjudication result is received. The adjudicated events will be displayed for 30 days after the decision date.

Student Updates

- The program end date for F-1 records may no longer be updated after the program end date has passed.
- When printing an I-20 for an M-1 student with a pending extension request, the following will occur:
 - 1) the requested (extended) program end date will be printed on the I-20 (field 5) for the student and any associated dependent record
 - 2) the text "Continued Attendance - Program Extension Pending" will be printed in field 3 for the student
 - 3) the text "Use by dependents for entering the United States - Program Extension Pending" will be printed in field 3 for associated dependent records.
- New functionality will be added to enable the PDSO/DSO to perform the following actions:
 - 1) Cancel a request for OPT employment that has not been adjudicated.
 - 2) Cancel a request for off-campus employment that has not been adjudicated.
 - 3) Cancel a request for an M-1 extension that has not been adjudicated.

Change of Education Level Functionality

- New functionality will be added to allow the PDSO/DSO to change the education level for Active status F-1 students. This feature will function similarly to the transfer function, creating a new Initial status I-20 for the student and carrying over the same fields that are carried over on a transfer. Maintaining two records for the student, one for the current education level and one for the new education level, will permit the school to update and print the current I-20 as needed until the student begins the new education level. The program start date for the new education level must be greater than the current date and the new program end date is not limited to one year. The school will be required to register the student at the new program level.

FOR BATCH USERS: Records that have had a change of education level action will not be updateable through the SEVIS Batch interface until the original record is completed. If an attempt is made to update a record that has had a change education level action performed, the following error message will be provided in the transaction log: S1004, Student has more than 1 record in Active or Initial Status. Prior to the original record being completed, you can update both records at any time through SEVIS RTI to make all necessary updates.

The following highlights the functionality for this release for J Program Sponsors:

Reports

- The Secondary Student Placement Report will contain the correct data.
- Correct data will be included on the 400 Report- Profile of Sponsor Activity report.
- The Annual Report will present the correct data.

Search and Sorting

- The exchange visitor search functionality will be modified to perform the search action more efficiently and with a quicker response time to the user. Detailed instructions for use of the new screen will be provided in the on-line Help function.

Exchange Visitor Updates

- SEVIS will now include the United States or a United States territory as the country of birth for exchange visitors and their dependents. If the RO/ARO selects United States or a United States territory for the country of birth for an exchange visitor or the dependent of an exchange visitor, one of the following options must also be selected:
 - 1) U.S. - Born to Foreign Diplomat
 - 2) U.S. - ExpatriatedNote: It will be the option chosen that will print on the exchange visitor's or dependent's Form DS-2019.

- The problem will be corrected to include the date the J-2's Form DS-2019 is printed.