



An F-1 student is a nonimmigrant who is pursuing a full course of study to achieve a specific educational or professional objective at an academic institution in the U.S. that has been designated by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to offer courses of study to such students. The Office of International Affairs (OIA) must determine a student's eligibility to be issued a Form I-20 to be used when applying for the F-1 visa at a U.S. Embassy or Consulate abroad, or if the student is already in the U.S., by sending the Form I-20 to USCIS when applying for a change of status to F-1. Students must demonstrate to OIA that:

- 1) You have been admitted to an eligible academic program at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHSC-H)
- 2) You are capable of financing your education and stay in the U.S.
- 3) Immigration regulations will not prohibit you from being issued the Form I-20

OIA will be provided with a copy of your admission letter from the school you have been admitted to. Students admitted to a program of study at UTHSC-H must complete and sign this form and return all original documents to OIA at the address below in order to determine eligibility for the Form I-20.

Section I: Student Information

LAST/FAMILY NAME First/Given Name Middle

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) Gender: Male Female

Telephone Number E-mail Address

City of Birth Country of Birth Country of Citizenship

Permanent Address in Home Country: _____
Home or Apartment # and Street

City State/Province

Country Postal Code

Section II: Immigration Information

Are you currently in the U.S.? Yes No

- If yes, please indicate your current visa type: _____
- If current visa type is F-1, student must comply with the instructions given in the ***Transfer-In Handout***
- Please contact your International Visitor Advisor (IVA) at OIA if you are not in the U.S. on the F-1 visa but are considering changing your visa status to the F-1 student visa.

Are you in the U.S. on a visa that restricts employment or full-time enrollment? Yes No

- If yes and you will accept the academic program, please indicate below how you will seek F-1 status:

I will depart the U.S. and apply for the F-1 visa at a U.S. Embassy or Consulate abroad

I will apply for a change of status to F-1 while remaining in the U.S.

- Please contact your IVA at OIA if your current visa type restricts you from being employed in the U.S. or engaging in full-time enrollment

Are you currently attending or have you recently graduated from another school/institution in the U.S.? Yes

No

- If yes, are you currently authorized optional practical training? Yes No

Section III: Dependent Information

Will you be accompanied by your spouse or unmarried child (under the age of 21) who will seek F-2 status?

Yes No

- If yes, please provide the following information:

Spouse

_____ LAST/FAMILY NAME	_____ First/Given Name	_____ Middle
_____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	_____ City of Birth	_____ Country of Birth
_____ Country of Citizenship	_____ Country of Legal Permanent Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female

Child

_____ LAST/FAMILY NAME	_____ First/Given Name	_____ Middle
_____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	_____ City of Birth	_____ Country of Birth
_____ Country of Citizenship	_____ Country of Legal Permanent Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Son <input type="checkbox"/> Daughter

Child

_____ LAST/FAMILY NAME	_____ First/Given Name	_____ Middle
_____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	_____ City of Birth	_____ Country of Birth
_____ Country of Citizenship	_____ Country of Legal Permanent Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Son <input type="checkbox"/> Daughter

Child

_____ LAST/FAMILY NAME	_____ First/Given Name	_____ Middle
_____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	_____ City of Birth	_____ Country of Birth
_____ Country of Citizenship	_____ Country of Legal Permanent Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Son <input type="checkbox"/> Daughter

Section IV: Mailing Instructions

If OIA determines that you are eligible for the Form I-20, please provide the information below so that all documents can be provided to you.

- ***This section is not required for students admitted to the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.***

Please mail the Form I-20 by regular airmail to the address below: (regular mail to overseas addresses may take up to 4+ weeks)

Home or Apartment # and Street

City

State/Province

Country

Postal Code

Please mail the Form I-20 by express mail to the address above.

- *If checked, please provide this office with a completed Pre-Paid Air Bill.*

Please contact the person below when the Form I-20 has been processed. I authorize the person below to pick-up the Form I-20 from OIA and mail to my attention.

LAST/FAMILY NAME

First/Given Name

Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____