

Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) Release 6.33 Final System Changes

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The following summarizes the final system changes to SEVIS Release 6.33.

SEVIS Batch

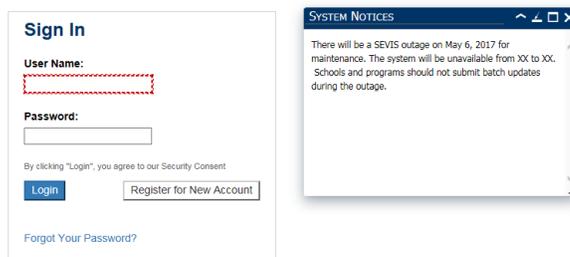
An overview of the SEVIS Batch modifications with Release 6.33 can be found in the SEVIS Release 6.33 Batch System Changes document on the SEVIS Batch page of ice.gov (<http://www.ice.gov/sevis/schools/sevis#tab1>). No batch schema changes will be made to support these changes. The Release 6.33 Batch Application Program Interface (API) is also available on this page.

All Users

SEVIS System Notices

This release will provide a new SEVIS system notification window on the SEVIS login screen for all users. This notification window will provide information regarding SEVIS system status and outages. Users may collapse the notification window by clicking the 'x mark' in the right hand corner of the notification.

Example of the SEVIS System Notices Window



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You are about to access a Department of Homeland Security computer system. This computer system and data therein are property of the U.S. Government and provided for official U.S. Government information and use. There is no expectation of privacy when you use this computer system. The use of a password or any other security measure does not establish an expectation of privacy. By using this system, you consent to the terms set forth in this notice. You may not process classified national security information on this computer system. Access to this system is restricted to authorized users only. Unauthorized access, use, or modification of this system or of data contained herein, or in transit to/from this system, may constitute a violation of section 1030 of title 18 of the U.S. Code and other criminal laws. Anyone who accesses a Federal computer system without authorization or exceeds access authority, or obtains, alters, damages, destroys, or discloses information, or prevents authorized use of information on the computer system, may be subject to penalties, fines or imprisonment. This computer system and any related equipment is subject to monitoring for administrative oversight, law enforcement, criminal investigative purposes, inquiries into alleged wrongdoing or misuse, and to ensure proper performance of applicable security features and procedures. DHS may conduct monitoring activities without further notice.

F/M School Officials

Required Fields for STEM OPT

For this release, the student’s EIN and supervisor information (Last Name, First Name, Telephone Number (excluding telephone extension field and Email Address) will now be required fields when a school official adds or updates employer information for a student who is on STEM OPT.

Example of the Required Fields for Extend STEM OPT

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Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*)

Prior to recommending a 24-month extension for Optional Practical Training (OPT), you must ensure the student earned a STEM designated bachelors, masters, or doctorate degree within the last 10 years from an institution that is currently SEVP certified. The STEM Designated Degree Program List is available at www.ice.gov/sevis (the SEVP Website). These students are also subject to the requirements found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 8, Sections 214.20(f)(10) to (f)(13). Your school must continue to maintain records on the student for the full period of the extension, including Form I-983 or successor form. The details of these rules can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 8, Sections 214.2(f)(10) to (f)(13). The CFR has been amended and the sections relevant to OPT are available at www.ice.gov/sevis (the SEVP Website).

Explain how employment is related to student's course of study *

Max 1000 characters (1000 remaining)

Employer Information

Employer Name *

Employer EIN *

Job Title

Start Date * / / End Date / /

Full Time / Part Time *

Full Time: more than 20 hours/week

Part Time: 20 or less hours/week

Employer Address *

[Add Employer Address](#)

Supervisor Information

Last Name *

First Name *

Telephone Number * - - ext.

Email Address *

Update to School Event History

For this release, the system will record an entry in the school event history when a school official submits their attestation. The name of the event will be displayed as “I-17 Petition <Petition ID> Confirmation of Attestation”.

Example of the School Event History – Confirmation of Attestation

Event Date	Event Name	Performed By
04/27/2017 11:46:37	I-17 Petition 75495 Confirmation of Attestation	Sandra Smith
04/27/2017 11:46:35	I-17 Petition Update 75495 Course of Study and Time Necessary to Complete each	Sandra Smith
Field Changed	Old Value	New Value
Course Description	120 general credits and 60 credits for the major course of study	120 general credits and 60 credits for the major course of study and tes

Sponsor Officials

Confirmation Message When Terminating Exchange Visitors (EVs)

For this release, a new confirmation message will appear for sponsor officials when attempting to change the status of an EV to Terminated. The sponsor official will have to either select the Yes or No button to confirm the change of status of an EV to Terminated status.

Example of the Confirmation Message When Terminating Exchange Visitors

The screenshot shows the 'Terminate EV' form in the SEVIS system. The form is for a J-1 Exchange Visitor named Gwien, Tony, with a status of ACTIVE and SEVIS ID N0004757654. A confirmation dialog box is overlaid on the form, asking the user to confirm the termination. The dialog box contains the following text: 'Confirm that you want to change the status of the exchange visitor to Terminated. This action will also set the record of any accompanying spouse or dependents to Terminated status. This is a negative status and should only be used if the exchange visitor willfully violated his or her status as set forth in 22 CFR Section 62.40. Once an exchange visitor has been terminated the record can only be corrected via the Reinstatement-Update SEVIS Status process, which requires review by the Department of State and submission of a non-refundable fee.' Below the text are 'Yes' and 'No' buttons. The form background shows fields for Termination Reason, Effective Termination Date (03/03/2017), and Remarks.

Modification to the Annual Report – J1 Exchange Visitor Program U.S. Department of State

The J1 Exchange Visitor Program U.S. Department of State annual report, will be modified the SEVIS Run Date on page two to display the date the report is generated instead of the date timestamp format.

Modifications to Program Event History

For this release, sponsor officials will have the ability to view the program event history for the following: Redesignation, replace Responsible Officer, add Alternative Responsible Officer, update official contact information, and official name change.

User Manuals and Online Help

SEVP will update the SEVIS Online Help and User Manuals for school and sponsor officials to reflect the changes implemented with SEVIS Release 6.33.