Student and Exchange Visitor Program

SEVIS Release 5.10 F/M School User Training

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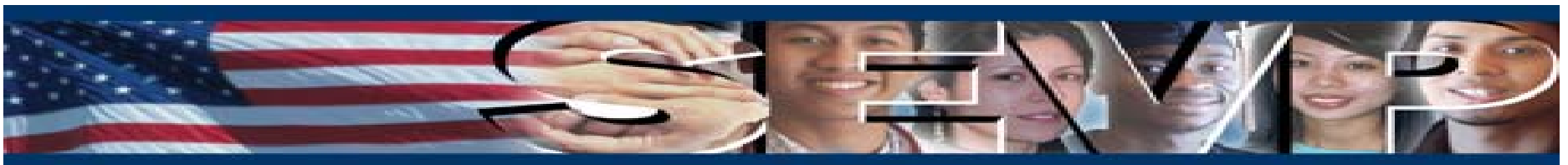
Objectives

This presentation is an overview of the changes in Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) Release 5.10 for F/M School Users, which include the following:

- **New Functionality:**
  - ➤ **F-1 Student Change of Status (COS) Requests to H-1B**

- **Updates to existing Real-Time Interactive (RTI) functionality:**
  - ➤ **Pending COS Requests**
  - ➤ **Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) Code Display for Majors and Minor**

- **Updates to both existing RTI and Batch-File Processing (BATCH) functionality:**
  - ➤ **Optional Practical Training (OPT) Employment Requests**
  - ➤ **Registration Next Session Start Date**
  - ➤ **Form I-20 Reprint Reasons**
  - ➤ **Country Lists/Tables**

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New Functionality in Release 5.10 for F/M School Users

The major functionality that will be added to SEVIS in Release 5.10 relates to F-1 student COS requests to H-1B.

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F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

When an Active status F-1 student record is updated by Computer Linked Application Information Management System (CLAIMS) with a Pending or Approved COS request to H-1B, the following will print on page 3 of the Form I-20:

- Visa Type (i.e., H-1B)
- Request Type (i.e., COS)
- Request Status (i.e., Pending or Approved)
- Receipt Number
- Benefit Start Date (*Note: Can be blank for Pending requests*)
- System Comment (*Note: Will also be added to two SEVIS pages*)

On the date the Pending or Approved COS request to H-1B is received from CLAIMS, one of two actions may occur. These actions are dependent on whether the student does or does not have an Approved current or future post-completion (i.e., Employment End Date greater than Program End Date) OPT request. Each scenario will be covered in the following slides.

F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

First, if the F-1 student does <u style="color:red">NOT</u> have an Approved current or future post-completion OPT on the date the Pending or Approved COS request to H-1B is received from CLAIMS, the System Comment will be:

F-1 status for this student has been automatically extended to September 30, [current year]. The student is authorized to remain in the United States. This is pursuant to 8 CFR 214.2(f)(5)(iv) and 8 CFR 274a.12(b)(6)(iv), as updated April 8, 2008 in a rule published in the Federal Register (73 FR 18944). Additional information about the automatic extension can be found on the Student and Exchange Visitor Program Web site at www.ice.gov/sevis.

F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

Slides 6 – 8 display cut outs from SEVIS pages and a Form I-20 for a student that does <u>NOT</u> have an Approved current or future post-completion OPT on the date the Pending or Approved COS request to H-1B is received from CLAIMS.

- **Student Information Page**

Student Requests:

Request Type	Request Status	Receipt Number
Change of Status	PENDING	ABC0101201234

Change Of Status Comment:
F-1 status for this student has been automatically extended to September 30, 2008. The student is authorized to remain in the United States. This is pursuant to 8 CFR 214.2(f)(5)(iv) and 8 CFR 274a.12(b)(6)(iv), as updated April 8, 2008 in a rule published in the Federal Register (73 FR 18944). Additional information about the automatic extension can be found on the Student and Exchange Visitor Program Web site a www.ice.gov/sevis.

Note: Slides 6 – 8 show a Pending COS request; if the COS request was Approved, only the Request Status field would be different.
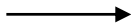
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F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

- **Current Request/Authorization Details Page**

Current Request/Authorization Details

Student Information

SEVIS ID:	N0000151025
Family Name:	Sevis
First Name:	Olivia
Country of Birth:	DENMARK
Date of Birth:	01/01/1980
Country of Citizenship:	DENMARK
Gender:	FEMALE
School Name:	Release 5.10 Training School
Program Start Date:	09/01/2004
Program End Date:	09/01/2008
Visa Type:	F-1
Status:	ACTIVE

No OPT Employment. →

OPT Employment:

No Current OPT Employment

CPT Employment:

No Current CPT Employment

Off-Campus Employment:

No Current Off-Campus Employment

Authorized To Drop Below Full Course:

No Current Authorization

Transfer:

No Current Transfer Request

Disciplinary Action Recorded:

No Record of Disciplinary Action

COS Information. →

Change of Status:

Request Status:	PENDING
Receipt Number:	ABC0101201234
Benefit Start Date:	10/01/2008
Comment:	F-1 status for this student has been automatically extended to September 30, 2008. The student is authorized to remain in the United States. This is pursuant to 8 CFR 214.2(f)(5)(iv) and 8 CFR 274a.12(b)(6)(iv), as updated April 8, 2008 in a rule published in the Federal Register (73 FR 18944). Additional information about the automatic extension can be found on the Student and Exchange Visitor Program Web site a www.ice.gov/sevis.

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F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

- **Form I-20, Page 3**

No OPT Employment Authorization. →

COS Information. →

SEVIS

Student's Copy

N0000151025

FAMILYNAME: Sevis   FIRST NAME: Olivia

Primary Major: 52.0899   Finance and Financial Management Servic

Student Employment Authorization:

Employment Status: Type:

Duration of Employment - From (Date):   To (Date):

Employer Name:

Employer Location:

Comments:

Change of Status

Requested Visa Type:	Request Status:	Receipt Number:	Benefit Start Date:
H1-B	Pending	ABC0101201234	10/01/2008

Comments:
F-1 status for this student has been automatically extended to September 30, 2008. The student is authorized to remain in the United States. This is pursuant to 8 CFR 214.2(f)(5)(iv) and 8 CFR 274a.12(b)(6)(iv), as updated April 8, 2008 in a rule published in the Federal Register (73 FR 18944). Additional information about the automatic extension can be found on the Student and Exchange Visitor Program Web site a www.ice.gov/sevis.

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F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

Second, if the F-1 student has an Approved current or future post-completion OPT on the date the Pending or Approved COS request to H-1B is received from CLAIMS, the System Comment will be:

> *F-1 status and employment authorization for this student have been automatically extended to September 30, [current year]. The student is authorized to remain in the United States and continue employment with an expired employment authorization document. This is pursuant to 8 CFR 214.2(f)(5)(iv) and 8 CFR 274a.12(b)(6)(iv), as updated April 8, 2008 in a rule published in the Federal Register (73 FR 18944). Additional information about the automatic extension can be found on the Student and Exchange Visitor Program Web site at www.ice.gov/sevis.*

Also, the Employment End Date of the Approved current or future post-completion OPT will be updated to September 30, [current year].

F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

Slides 10 – 12 display cut outs from SEVIS pages and a Form I-20 for a student that has an Approved current or future post-completion OPT on the date the Pending or Approved COS request to H-1B is received from CLAIMS.

- **Student Information Page**

Student Requests:

Request Type	Request Status	Receipt Number
Change of Status	APPROVED	ABC0011122222
OPT	APPROVED	ABC9988877777

Change Of Status Comment:

F-1 status and employment authorization for this student have been automatically extended to September 30, 2008. The student is authorized to remain in the United States and continue employment with an expired employment authorization document. This is pursuant to 8 CFR 214.2(f)(5)(iv) and 8 CFR 274a.12(b)(6)(iv), as updated April 8, 2008 in a rule published in the Federal Register (73 FR 18944). Additional information about the automatic extension can be found on the Student and Exchange Visitor Program Web site at www.ice.gov/sevis.

Note: Slides 10 – 12 show an Approved COS request; if the COS request was Pending, only the Request Status would be different.

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F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

- **Current Request/Authorization Details Page**

Post-completion OPT Employment.

COS Information.

Current Request/Authorization Details

Student Information
SEVIS ID: N0004644662
Family Name: **Sevis**
First Name: **Carly**
Country of Birth: **IRELAND**
Date of Birth: **05/01/1987**
Country of Citizenship: **IRELAND**
Gender: **FEMALE**
School Name: **Release 5.10 Training School**
Program Start Date: **09/01/2003**
Program End Date: **05/01/2007**
Visa Type: **F-1**
Status: **ACTIVE**

OPT Employment:
Employer name:
Address:
Start Date: 08/01/2007
End Date: 09/30/2008
Full Time/Part Time: **FULL TIME**
Request Status: **APPROVED**
Receipt Number: **ABC9988877777**
Remarks:

CPT Employment:
No Current CPT Employment

Off-Campus Employment:
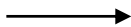No Current Off-Campus Employment

Authorized To Drop Below Full Course:
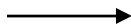No Current Authorization

Transfer:
No Current Transfer Request

Disciplinary Action Recorded:
No Record of Disciplinary Action

Change of Status:
Request Status: **APPROVED**
Receipt Number: **ABC0011122222**
Benefit Start Date: **10/01/2008**
Comment: F-1 status and employment authorization for this student have been automatically extended to September 30, 2008. The student is authorized to remain in the United States and continue employment with an expired employment authorization document. This is pursuant to 8 CFR 214.2(f)(5)(iv) and 8 CFR 274a.12(b)(6)(iv), as updated April 8, 2008 in a rule published in the Federal Register (73 FR 18944). Additional information about the automatic extension can be found on the Student and Exchange Visitor Program Web site at www.ice.gov/sevis.

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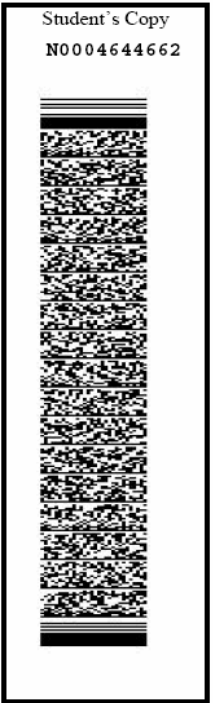# F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

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Post-completion OPT Employment Authorization. →

COS Information. →

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                                                                                    SEVIS
FAMILYNAME: Sevis                                  FIRST NAME: ___Carly___     Student's Copy
Primary Major: _27.0502___ Mathematical Statistics and Probability             N0004644662
Student Employment Authorization:
  Employment Status:          FULL TIME         Type:      OPT
  Duration of Employment - From (Date): 08/01/2007    To (Date):  09/30/2008
  Employer Name:
  Employer Location:


  The Student has met the 1 full academic year requirement.

  Comments:   Student will be working in Statistical Analysis.




Change of Status
Requested Visa Type:    Request Status:        Receipt Number:       Benefit Start Date:
H1-B                    Approved               ABC0011122222         10/01/2008
Comments:
F-1 status and employment authorization for this student have been automatically extended to September 30, 2008. The student is authorized to
remain in the United States and continue employment with an expired employment authorization document. This is pursuant to 8 CFR
214.2(f)(5)(iv) and 8 CFR 274a.12(b)(6)(iv), as updated April 8, 2008 in a rule published in the Federal Register (73 FR 18944). Additional
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F-1 Student COS Requests to H-1B

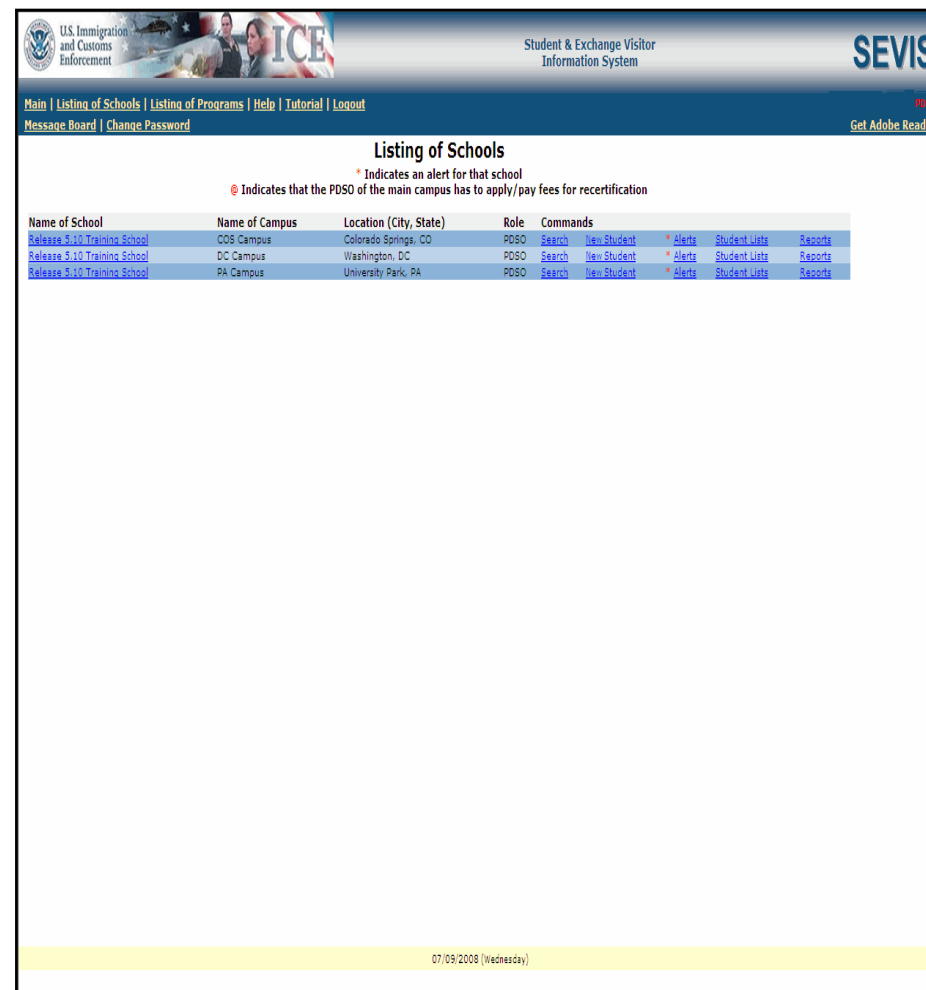**Additional information regarding F-1 student COS requests to H-1B:**

- **If a Pending or Approved COS request to H-1B is set to either Denied or Withdrawn via either a CLAIMS or Department of Homeland Security (DHS) user update, the request will no longer appear on the Current Request/Authorization Details page nor print on the Form I-20. However, the System Comment will continue to display with the COS request under Student Requests on the Student Information page.**

- **When an F-1 student COS request to H-1B is set to Denied or Withdrawn via either a CLAIMS or DHS user update, the student record will be set to Completed status 60 days after the latest date of any of the following:**
  - **Program End Date**
  - **Approved OPT Employment End Date**
  - **Denied or Withdrawn COS Receipt Date**

- **Reminder that the System Comment on both the Student Information and Current Request/Authorization Details pages as well as the data that prints on page 3 of the Form I-20 is <u>ONLY</u> for F-1 student COS request to H-1B. For all other COS requests, this information will not display/print.**

RTI Updates in Release 5.10 for F/M School Users

The following existing SEVIS RTI functionality will be updated for F/M School Users with Release 5.10:

- **Pending COS Requests**

- **CIP Code Display for Majors and Minor**

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Pending COS Requests

When a student record is updated by CLAIMS with a Pending COS request to a non-SEVIS visa type (i.e., neither F-1 nor M-1), the Pending COS request will display to the PDSO/DSO in two places:

- **Current Request/Authorization Details page**

Change of Status:	
Request Status:	PENDING
Receipt Number:	ABC0101201234
Benefit Start Date:	08/01/2008

- **Student Information page**

Student Requests:		
Request Type	Request Status	Receipt Number
Change of Status	PENDING	ABC0101201234

Pending COS Requests

The PDSO/DSO may also access student records with Pending COS requests to a non-SEVIS visa type via either of the following:

- Students With a Pending Change of Status Request Alert

- Students With a Pending Change of Status Request List

Students With a Pending Change of Status Request

Return to Lists

Family Name	First Name	SEVIS ID	Visa Type	New SEVIS ID	New Visa Type	Date of Request	Receipt Number	Program Start Date	Program End Date
Sevis	Olivia	N0000151025	F-1		H1-B	07/08/2008	ABC0101201234	09/01/2004	09/01/2008
Sevis	Quin		N-4	N0004644853	F-1	07/22/2008	ABC9988877777	09/01/2008	09/01/2012

On the Student List, the New Visa Type field will differentiate those students Pending a COS to a SEVIS visa type (i.e., F-1 or M-1) versus those requesting a non-SEVIS visa type.

CIP Code Display for Majors and Minor

The Student Information page will be modified to display the CIP code for the student Major, Secondary Major and Minor.

Campus Name:	DC Campus
I-20 Issue Reason:	CONTINUED ATTENDANCE
Education Level:	BACHELOR'S
Major:	40.0501 - Chemistry, General
Secondary Major:	00.0000 - None
Minor:	51.2099 - Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Sciences, and Administration, Other
Program Start Date:	09/01/2007
Program End Date:	09/01/2011
Normal Length of Study:	48

The majors and minor description will continue to display along with the addition of the CIP code.

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RTI and BATCH Updates in Release 5.10 for F/M School Users

The following existing SEVIS RTI and BATCH functionality will be updated for F/M School Users with Release 5.10:

- **OPT Employment Requests**

- **Registration Next Session Start Date**

- **Form I-20 Reprint Reasons**

- **Country Lists/Tables**

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OPT Employment Requests

PDSOs/DSOs will have the ability to request OPT for an F-1 student up to and including 60 days beyond the Program End Date.

Starting 61 days after the Program End Date, the **New OPT Employment** link will no longer display on the OPT Employment page.

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OPT Employment

SEVIS ID: **N0004644658**
Family Name: **Sevis**
First Name: **Elisa**
Date of Birth: **01/01/1985**
Country of Birth: **AUSTRALIA**
Country of Citizenship: **AUSTRALIA**
Gender: **FEMALE**
School Name: **Release 5.10 Tra**
Program Start Date: **05/01/2006**
Program End Date: **05/01/2008**
Visa Type: **F-1**
Status: **ACTIVE**

No employment data found for stud

Prior to recommending Optional Practical Training (OPT), you must ensure that the training complies with aware of his/her obligation to report changes in employment information (to include periods of unemplo maintain records on the student for the full period of OPT. The details of these rules can be found in the C The CFR has been amended and the sections relevant to OPT are available at www.ice.gov/sevis (the SE

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OPT Employment Requests

However, the Employment Start Date for an F-1 student OPT request may not be greater than 61 days beyond the Program End Date.

Add OPT Employment

Validation Error(s)
You must correct the following error(s) before proceeding:

- OPT start date may not be greater than 61 days beyond the program end date.

Required fields are marked with an asteris...

1. * Employment Start Date: 09/01/2008 (MM/DD/YYYY)

2. * Employment End Date: 09/01/2009 (MM/DD/YYYY)

New Validation Error; also the "OPT F-1 student More than 14 months beyond the students prog end date" Validation Error will be removed.

OPT Employment Requests

To accommodate these changes, there will be two Batch F/M Eligibility Processing Error Code and Description updates:

- **Along with the ability to request OPT up to and including 60 days beyond the Program End Date, one current Error Code will have its Description modified**

Error Code	Description
S1038	OPT request must be made no later than 60 days after the program end date

- **With the requirement that the OPT Employment Start Date not be greater than 61 days after the Program End Date, one new Error Code and Description will be created**

Error Code	Description
S1121	OPT start date may not be greater than 61 days beyond the program end date

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Registration Next Session Start Date

School users will be able to enter a Next Session Start Date that is greater than the Program End Date.

The Next Session Start Date may be any future date so long as it is on or after the Current Session End Date.

School Name: **Release 5.10 1**
Program Start Date: **09/01/2004**
Program End Date: **09/01/2008**
Visa Type: **F-1**
Status: **ACTIVE**

1. * Current Session End Date: `05/01/2008` (MM/DD/YYYY)
2. * Next Session Start Date: `12/01/2008` (MM/DD/YYYY)

☐ The student is in the last session of his/her program. If checked, do not enter Next Session St

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Registration Next Session Start Date

Based on the Next Session Start Date validation change, the following BATCH F/M Eligibility Processing Error Code and Description will be removed

Error Code	Description
S1117	Next session start date must be on or before the program end date

Form I-20 Reprint Reasons

A new Reprint Reason of "Updated" will be available for F/M student Reprint I-20 events. The new Reprint Reason is to be used after a COS from F-1 to H-1B is received from CLAIMS so that the student will have an updated copy of the Form I-20.

Reprint I-20

Required fields are marked with an

SEVIS ID:	N000464465
Family Name:	Sevis
First Name:	Wilson
Date of Birth:	06/01/1988
Country of Birth:	GERMANY
Country of Citizenship:	GERMANY
Gender:	MALE
School Name:	Release 5.10
Program Start Date:	08/15/2008
Program End Date:	08/15/2012
Visa Type:	F-1
Status:	INITIAL

The four existing Reprint Reasons will remain.

*Reprint Reason:

Remarks:

DAMAGED
LOST
STOLEN
TRAVEL
UPDATED

Next   Reset Values   C

Form I-20 Reprint Reasons

Along with the new Request Reprint Reason of "Updated," one BATCH Reprint Code will be added to the Student Reprint Codes lookup table.

Reprint Code	Request Reprint Reason
50	Updated

Form I-20 Reprint Reason

On the printed Form I-20, the "Updated" Reprint Reason will display in field 3 of page 1.

School code (including 3-digit suffix, if any) and approval date:

WAS214F12321000 _____ approved on _0

3. This certificate is issued to the student named above for:

   Initial attendance at this school.

   Reprint reason: UPDATED

4. Level of education the student is pursuing or will pursue in

   BACHELOR'S

→ **Initial status student.**

School code (including 3-digit suffix, if any) and approval date:

WAS214F12321000 _____ approved on _

3. This certificate is issued to the student named above for:

   Continued attendance at this school.

   Reprint reason: UPDATED

4. Level of education the student is pursuing or will pursue i

   BACHELOR'S

→ **Active status student.**

Country Lists/Tables

Per a National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 10-4 Change Notice, the Country of Birth, Country of Citizenship, and Passport Issuing Country drop-down lists will be updated as follows:

- **New countries "Saint Martin" and "Saint Barthelemy" will be added**

- **Current country "East Timor" will be renamed "Timor-Leste"**

Family Name: **Sevis**
First Name: Elisa
Country of Birth: **EAST TIMOR**
Date of Birth: 01/01/1985
Country of Citizenship: **EAST TIMOR**
Gender: FEMALE

The change to "Timor-Leste" will automatically occur for existing student records.

Family Name: **Sevis**
First Name: Elisa
Country of Birth: **TIMOR-LESTE**
Date of Birth: 01/01/1985
Country of Citizenship: **TIMOR-LESTE**
Gender: FEMALE

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Country Lists/Tables

The BATCH Birth Country Codes, Citizenship/Residence Country Codes, and Passport Issuing Country Code lookup tables will also be modified per the NGA FIPS 10-4 Change Notice:

- **The new countries will be added**

Country Code	Country Description
RN	Saint Martin
TB	Saint Barthelemy

- **The current country will have its description updated**

Country Code	Country Description
TT	Timor-Leste

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Questions?

SEVIS Help Desk
1-800-892-4829

sevishelpdesk@eds.com

Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM EST

SEVIS Toolbox
toolbox.sevis@dhs.gov

User Manuals and Online Help
The user manuals and online help will be updated to reflect the changes addressed in this slide presentation. The user manuals will be posted to the Student and Exchange Visitor Program Web site at www.ice.gov/sevis on August 8, 2008.

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