

**To:** All SEVIS Users  
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**Re:** Old Address on the Form I-20  
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## **Comments**

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## **General Information**

Prior to the implementation of the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS), the U.S. government needed to have paper copies of a student’s Form I-20, “Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status,” mailed to the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) for data processing. Following data entry and processing, the INS would send the Form I-20 back to the school for appropriate disposal. After the implementation of SEVIS – a web-based solution for monitoring and tracking nonimmigrant students – having paper copies of the Form I-20 became redundant and unnecessary.

Unfortunately, the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) has not updated the Form I-20 for F-1 students currently in SEVIS to reflect these changes. Because of this, Page 2 of the Form I-20 for F-1 students continues to list an address for an INS data processing center in London, Kentucky even though SEVP maintains all required information in SEVIS. The Form I-20 for M-1 students does not have this address.

SEVP is aware of the inconvenience and problem of the out-of-date Form I-20. SEVP is currently working on updating the Form I-20 with revised instructions. Until then, SEVP reminds designated school officials (DSOs) they do not need to send the Form I-20 to the London, Kentucky address.

While SEVP appreciates the conscientiousness of DSOs, sending the Form I-20 to London, Kentucky results in the records getting forwarded to SEVP in Washington, D.C. Because SEVP does not need a physical copy of the Form I-20, SEVP must send the records back to the school.

SEVP will announce plans at a future date regarding the implementation of the updated Form I-20.