I-20 Application Form

International students pursuing an F-1 visa need to complete this form and submit additional material (see page 4) in order to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility (I-20 form). This I-20 form can then be used to apply for an F-1 visa at the U.S. Embassy.

Notes: Please read and follow all the instructions carefully.
All sections of this document must be completed fully for your application to be considered for review.
Instructions for submitting this application can be found on the last page.

1. Personal Information

Please print or type your name EXACTLY as it appears on your passport. If you have only one name, please use the family name field.

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<th>First Name</th>
<th>Middle Name</th>
<th>Last Name</th>
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Spelman ID Number ___________________________  Birth Date ___________/__________/__________
Month (MM)  Date (DD)  Year (YYYY)

City & Country of Birth ____________________________________________

Country of Citizenship ___________________________________________

Country of Legal or Permanent Resident __________________________________________

2. Visa Information

In order for a non-citizen to pursue a college degree in the U.S., you need a visa of some type that allows you to study full-time. There are many types of visas that will permit you to study in America. Spelman College can sponsor you for F-1 student visa.

The F-1 Student is for degree-seeking students. It grants the holder (you) many privileges, including the right to study full-time at a U.S. college such as Spelman. It also grants the holder permission to work under certain limited circumstances. The F-1’s work permissions are frequently used by Spelman students to pursue on-campus work, to work off-campus as part of your program’s required co-op, and even to work in the U.S. for one year after graduation if eligible.

Do you want Spelman to issue you a I-20: □ No □ Yes

Do you currently hold a U.S. visa? □ No □ Yes

If Yes: what is your current visa status? (ex: F-1**, F-2, J-1**, B-1/B-2, H-4)

If you are presently studying in the U.S. please tell us where:

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<th>Name of Current School</th>
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If you are presently in the U.S. on a type of visa other than F-1, J-1, B-1, or B-2, you may be eligible to change your status to F-1 leaving the country. On average, this process takes one year. You have to maintain your current visa’s status throughout the change process. You will have none of the privileges of F-1 visa status while the change is pending. The Change of Status, therefore, can sometimes prevent a student from beginning their Spelman program on time! To find out if your current nonimmigrant visa is eligible for a Change of Status within the U.S. to F-1 or J-1, please visit uscis.gov.

Do you qualify for a Change of Status AND do you want to change your visa to F-1? □ Yes □ No
3. Dependent Information

Do you expect to come to the U.S.:  □ Alone  □ With Spouse  □ With Children  Number of Children __________

ISSS needs to know if you are going to bring your spouse and/or your children to live with you during your studies at Spelman.

We do not need personal information about family members who plan to visit you using a tourist visa.

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<th>Family Name(s)</th>
<th>Given Name(s)</th>
<th>Date of Birth, City of Birth, Country of Birth, and Citizenship</th>
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4. Address Information

**Foreign Permanent Address** (home country):

- Line 1: __________________________________________
- Line 2: __________________________________________
- Line 3: __________________________________________

________________________     ____________________________  
State/Province                Code Country

Telephone Number: __________________________
(Please provide a telephone number for this address.)

E-Mail Address: __________________________

**Address** if different from permanent address (where the Form I-20/DS-2019 will be sent via Mail):

- Line 1: __________________________________________
- Line 2: __________________________________________
- Line 3: __________________________________________

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State/Province                Code Country

Telephone Number: __________________________
(Please provide a telephone number for this address.)

E-Mail Address: __________________________

This address is valid until* (MM/DD/YYYY): __________________________

*Note: It may take several weeks to issue your I-20/DS-2019. Please plan ahead when choosing a mailing address.
5. Documents Required for this Application

Your request for an I-20 will not be processed until International Students and Scholars Services (ISSS) receives your completed I20 Application and all required supplemental documents.

SEVIS-TRANSFER STUDENTS (if you already have a valid F-1 visa from another school) must send the following:

- Completed Transfer-In Request Form (click [here](#) to download the form)
- A scanned copy of your current F-1
- A scanned copy of your current I-20

Requesting help with a spouse or child’s visa?

For international students who are bringing their spouse and/or children, listed under the “Dependent Information” section of this form:

- Marriage or Birth Certificate (in English)
- Additional $6000 financial proof per dependent
- Photocopy of the identity page(s) of each dependent’s passport

6. Submitting your Application for Review

All the required documents must be e-mailed, faxed or mailed to:

Address:
Rokhaya Fall
Gordon-Zeto Center for Global Education
350 Spelman Lane Box 343
Atlanta, Ga 30314
Email: [rfall@spelman.edu](mailto:rfall@spelman.edu)
Fax: 404-270-5539

Note: If you have any questions, please email Ms. Rokhaya Fall at [rfall@spelman.edu](mailto:rfall@spelman.edu) or call 404.270.5680