

2018-2019
International Student
Instructions after Acceptance

I. INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTAINING YOUR VISA & U.S. ENTRY

- A. After you are accepted to North Central University and we have receive your \$5,000 deposit, we will send you your I-20 Form.
- B. Fill out Form I-901 and sent it, along with a \$200 check or money order made out to ***I-901 Student/Exchange Visitor Processing Fee*** to:

I-901 Student/Exchange Visitor Processing Fee
P.O. Box 970020
St. Louis, MO 63197-0020

Make sure that your name and S.E.V.I.S. Identification Number, located in the top, right corner of page 1 of your I-20 Form are on the check or money order. All checks and money orders must be made in U.S. dollars and drawn on a bank located in the United States.

Print a copy of the I-901 form or complete the form online at
<http://www.ice.gov/sevis/i901/>.

- C. Make an appointment with the U.S. Embassy for your Visa interview after you have received your I-20 AB Form and sent in your Form I-901 with the \$200 payment. After you are awarded a Visa, you may make plans to come to the U.S. through a P.O.E. (Port of Entry).
- D. If you are citizen of Canada or Bermuda, you still need to send in the completed Form I-90 with the \$200 payment, but you don't need to go to a U.S. Embassy for a Visa interview. You can go straight to a P.O.E. with your I-20 AB Form and Passport.
- E. Upon arrival at a P.O.E. they will ask to see you I-20 AB Form and Passport, along with either a:
1. Signed, dated and notarized affidavit from parents, guardians, or U.S. sponsor stating that they will fully support the student through their stay in the United States.
 2. Proof of financial stability by showing amount of money in cash, travelers checks or a bank statement showing a balance and signed by a bank official.
- F. All students will receive an I-94 Form at the P.O.E. which gives you your F-1 Student Status.
- G. If you are traveling with a spouse or family members, they will receive F-2 status at the P.O.E. (according to U.S. law, the spouse of international student is not allowed to work on campus or anywhere else in the U.S.).

II. UPON ARRIVAL AT NORTH CENTRAL UNIVERSITY

- A. Please bring your I-20 to the admissions office so that we can authorize it.
- B. If you attend to work on campus, during the first week of school, it is advisable to go to the **Social Security Administration** to apply for a Social Security Card. You will need to request a letter from the International Student Advisor in the admissions office to verify that you are a student at North Central University.
A social security administration office is located just four blocks from the College. Your **I20AB**, **I-94** and **passport** are needed to apply. On the application, check box **C** under question number three (3). This states that the student is a “legal alien not allowed to work”.
Although the Social Security card is not necessary for studying in the United States, it is if the student wants to work on or off-campus. It is also needed to open bank accounts and file income tax (if necessary). It also provides the student with a form of valid identification.

If you have questions, you may contact:

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