

Part 9: Forms, Terms and Organizations Referenced

4.0 Glossary of Forms, Terms and Organizations Referenced

4.1 Forms

- Form I-94, Arrival-Departure Record
- Form I-94W, Nonimmigrant Visa Waiver Arrival/Departure
- Form I-95, Nonimmigrant Arrival-Departure Document
- Form I-20A-B, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant (F-1) Student Status-For Academic and Language Students
- Form I-20M-NB, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant (M-1) Student Status-For Vocational Students
- Form I-539, Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status
- Form G-28, Notice of Entry or Appearance as an Attorney or Accredited Representative

4.2 Visa Types

- B-1, Visitor for Business
- B-2, Visitor for Pleasure
- F-1, Academic Student
- F-2, Spouse or child of F-1 academic student
- J-1, Exchange visitor (including educational, cultural and scientific exchanges)
- J-2, Spouse or child of J-1 exchange visitor
- M-1, Vocational Student
- M-2, Spouse or child of M-1 student

4.3 Terms and Organizations

- “A” number: The alien registration number, which DHS assigns to each alien. It is an "A" followed by 8 numbers. For example: A12 345 678. Some recently issued “A” numbers consist of an "A" followed by 9 digits. For example: A 200 345 678.
- Agencies with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS):
 - **USCIS:** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
 - **ICE:** U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
 - **CBP:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- **Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA):** The highest administrative body for interpreting and applying immigration laws. (www.justice.gov/eoir/biainfo.htm)
- **SEVIS:** Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (<http://www.ice.gov/sevis/>)
- **Two-year home residence requirement:** Certain exchange visitors (J-1) are subject to a 2-year home-country physical presence requirement which requires you to return to your home country for at least 2 years at the end of your exchange visitor program. This is also known as the foreign residence requirement under U.S. law, Immigration and Nationality Act, Section 212(e).