

LSUA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ARRIVAL, CHECK IN AND TRAVEL REQUIREMENT

POLICY

This policy applies to all international students in F-1 and J-1 visa status at LSUA. Failure to comply with this policy will result in serious consequences - loss of scholarship and/or termination of I-20.

1. International Student Orientation and Check-in Requirement

* Students must bring a copy of a passport, visa and I-94.

Fall Semester – All newly admitted and continuing international students **must attend** the International Student Orientation and complete the Immigration Check-in Form. Students who fail to attend the International Student Orientation will lose academic scholarship and fee waiver.

Spring Semester – Only newly admitted international students must attend the International Student Orientation.

Both newly admitted and continuing international students must complete the Immigration Check-in Form by the **first day of school**.

- All continuing international student **non-athletes** must check-in with Coordinator of International Programs by the first day of class.
- All continuing international **student-athletes** must check-in with the coaches by the first day of class.

2. Arrival Requirement

All international F-1 and J-1 students must arrive on campus **no later than** the first day of school each semester.

- Failure to arrive on the first day of class will result in the loss of academic scholarship and fee waiver.
- Failure to arrive by the third day of class will result in termination of SEVIS record. The immigration system will automatically terminate the I-20 and students will be asked to leave or not be allowed to enter the U.S.

Any circumstance that causes the delay of arrival must be reported to the Office of International Programs prior to arrival on campus.

All newly admitted F-1 and J-1 students are allowed to arrive up to 30 days before the program start date that appears on the I-20.

3. Departure and Travel out of the United States

All International students are required to be on campus **until the last day of each semester**. Prior to travel outside of the United States, students must have their I-20/ DS-2019 signed by a designated school official (DSO). This includes travel to Mexico or Canada for vacation or any short holidays. Failure to do so may result in a student being denied re-entry to the United States.