

**F-1 Visa Applications  
must include the following items:**

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- Properly completed Form I-20
- Proof of having paid the SEVIS fee ("The SEVIS I-901 fee")
- Evidence of financial ability to meet expenses
- Evidence of English ability sufficient for course of study
- Evidence of intent to depart the U.S. after completion of studies
- Passport valid for at least six months
- Form DS-156, "Nonimmigrant Visa Application"
- Form DS-157, if applicable
- Form DS-158
- Photograph(s)
- Proof of payment of Machine Readable Visa (MRV) fee
- Visa reciprocity fee (if applicable)
- Applicants should also be prepared to provide (if asked): Transcripts from previous institutions attended; scores from standardized tests required by the educational institution such as the TOEFL, SAT, GRE, GMAT, etc.