



International Student Services  
Office of Admissions and Records

**IMPORTANT TRAVEL INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**Documentation**

OUHSC ISS *recommends* that you carry the following documents with you when you travel internationally. However, you only need to *show* what is requested from the visa officer or the customs official.

1. **Passport**—valid at least six months into the future
2. **I-94 Arrival/Departure Card** – surrender the I-94 at point of departure from US (unless traveling to Canada or Mexico under automatic revalidation during your program)
3. **Valid F-1 or J-1 visa stamp in passport**
4. **SEVIS Form I-20 or DS-2019** with travel signature from OU ISS. Travel signatures are valid for six months. Bring documents in for signature at least **ten business days** before travel.
5. **SEVIS Fee Receipt**
6. **Evidence of financial support** (bank statement, scholarship/assistantship letter)
7. **Proof of enrollment** (transcript *and* enrollment verification showing current enrollment, and next semester's enrollment, if available) Obtain in 121 LIB
8. **Documentation of approval to take a reduced course load, if applicable**
9. **Evidence of concurrent enrollment, if applicable**

**If your visa is invalid**, please speak with an international advisor to receive important information about visa renewals.

**If you are out of status** and will be traveling outside of the US, you must speak with an HSC international advisor *before* you leave the US to make certain you have the required documents for reinstatement through reentry.

**Travel after graduation while on Optional Practical Training** – please see an international advisor for more information.

**Travel to a location other than your home country**

If you are traveling within the US, you do not need travel authorization.

If you are traveling to a country other than your country of citizenship, you may need a visa to enter that country. You should check with the country's embassy prior to travel.

A list of foreign embassies in the US can be found at:

<http://www.state.gov/s/cpr/rls/dpl/32122.htm>

Prior to travel abroad, you should also check the US Department of State's website for travel warnings at: <http://travel.state.gov>

### **Automatic Revalidation for Travel to Canada or Mexico**

If you travel to a country that is contiguous to the US (Mexico, Canada, St. Pierre, Miquelon, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Bermuda, Jamaica, Winward and Leeward Islands, Trinidad and Tobago, Martinique) and you intend to stay less than 30 days and will not be applying for a new visa, you may reenter the US on an expired visa. (This does not apply for citizens of Iran, Iraq, North Korea, Sudan, Libya, or Syria). Students who want to reenter the US through the automatic revalidation program must retain their I-94 when exiting the US.

If you travel to Canada or Mexico you may need a visa to get into that country.

Students who have questions about any of these topics should see an international advisor for more information!