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SEVP
STUDENT AND EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM

**Association of Washington
International Student Affairs
(AWISA) Presentation**
Feb. 19, 2016

Presentation Overview

- Principal designated school official (PDSO)/ designated school official (DSO) roles and reporting requirements
- Student and Exchange Visitor Information System 6.23 update
- Science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) optional practical training (OPT) updates
- Resources on Study in the States, [ICE.gov](https://ice.dhs.gov) and social media
- Feedback opportunities and contact information

PDSO/DSO Reporting Requirements

- Initial student reporting
 - Within 30 days of program start date
- Active student reporting for each term or semester
 - Within 30 days of next session start date
- Draft student records for F-1 transfers
 - After record release date, prior to program start date
- Initial student records for F-1 transfers or M-1 transfers
 - Within 30 days of program start date
- Nonimmigrants changing to F-1 or M-1 status
 - Within 30 days of program start date
- Student graduation and program completion
 - Update record before student's program end date
- More information available on [ICE.gov/SEVIS/DSO-Requirements](https://ice.dhs.gov/SEVIS/DSO-Requirements)

SEVIS News and Enhancements

- PDSO/DSO Annual Verification Project
 - PDSO must verify SEVIS users before March 2, 2015
- Reminder: Form I-20, “Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status,” conversion deadline
 - Required for in-country use as of July 1, 2016
- SEVIS Release 6.23 – December 2015
 - Improved student event history display and Form I-20 updates
- Planned enhancements for 2016
 - Multiple releases planned for this year

Regulatory Fast Facts

STEM OPT

- U.S. Department of Homeland Security announced proposed changes to STEM OPT in October 2015
- Comment period for proposed regulation closed Nov. 18, 2015
 - Read comments about the rule on the Federal Register's website at [Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov)



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SEVP Values Your Feedback

Field Representative Event Survey

- Submit following a field representative presentation
- Feedback is continually reviewed to improve field representative performance
- Access on StudyintheStates.dhs.gov/Field-Representative-Event-Survey



The screenshot shows the 'Field Representative Event Survey' form on the 'Study in the States' website. The page header includes the Homeland Security logo, 'STUDY in the STATES' title, and navigation links for 'STUDENTS', 'SCHOOLS', and 'BLOG'. A search bar and social media icons are also present. The form itself is titled 'Field Representative Event Survey' and includes the following fields:

- Territory ***: A dropdown menu with '- Select -'.
- Assigned Field Representative ***: A text input field.
- Date of Event ***: A date picker with 'Year', 'Month', and 'Day' dropdowns.
- School/Organization Name ***: A text input field.
- Your Name ***: A text input field.
- Phone Number ***: A text input field.

Below the form is a 'Next Page >' button and a feedback section titled 'Was This Helpful? Please provide feedback on this page.' with radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No'. The left sidebar contains 'RELATED CONTENT' sections with links to various resources like 'I Want To Study In The States', 'Immigration Status', 'Transferring', 'Traveling', 'Employment and Other Benefits', 'Resources', 'What is a Commission-Based Recruiter?', 'SEVIS', 'Certification', 'Recertification', 'Responsibilities', 'Outreach', 'Conferences', and 'SEVIS'.

SEVP Contact Information

- SEVP Response Center
 - Phone:
 - 703-603-3400, or
 - 800-892-4829
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 - For case-specific questions, email SEVP@ice.dhs.gov.
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