



*Embassy of the United States of America  
Bridgetown, Barbados*

**Student Visa Basics**

**Q: How do I apply for my student visa to study in the United States?**

**A:** After you have been accepted by a U.S. university, the school will issue you an I-20 form. The I-20 lists the amount of money needed for your first year of schooling. Gather financial documents that show you have sufficient funds to cover that amount. Examples of acceptable financial documents include your (or your parents') bank statements, letters of scholarship, and affidavits of financial support by third-parties (affidavits should be accompanied by third party's financial documents). Next, pay your SEVIS fee online at [www.fmjfee.com](http://www.fmjfee.com). Make sure to print out a receipt for your SEVIS payment. Bring these three things to your visa interview (the I-20, financial documents, and SEVIS fee confirmation). You are also welcome to bring your current or past school transcripts.

The rest of the process is just like any other visa appointment. Visit our website to begin the DS-160 form and make your visa appointment to appear at Embassy Bridgetown, Barbados. Parents are welcome to accompany their minor children for the interview.

You can find more information about how apply for visas to the United States on our website, [www.barbados.usembassy.gov](http://www.barbados.usembassy.gov) and the website of our authorized service provider at <https://ais.usvisa-info.com>.

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