



Student Visa and U.S. Higher Education

A U.S. Consulate General, Hyderabad Face book Chat, held on
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Facebook Chat Transcript

Student: Us embassy only rejection F1 visa..why are you so many application rejecting for F1 visa

U.S. Vice Consul : All of the consular posts in India are happy to issue student visas to every applicant who can demonstrate that they qualify for it under the conditions of U.S. visa law.

Student: How can I show visa officer that I'm not a potential immigrant .

I have i20 from a good university, high gre and good acads... funds equal to i20 amount with a major share from bank loan ..

I even applied to unvs in other countries..can i mention that when asked about how many univs I applied ?

Is all the above sufficient for f1 visa ?

U.S. Vice Consul: I can't pre-adjudicate a visa, so can't tell you that what you list is sufficient for an F1 visa. The interviewing officer will look at the entire picture -- the school selected, test scores, previous academic records, ability to support the course of study, etc. You should answer all questions completely and truthfully, so when asked about schools to which you applied, go ahead and talk about the ones in other countries. But -- most importantly, be prepared to talk about why you selected to attend the one you did.

Student: Hello sir!! Is it mandatory to carry official GRE/TOEFL score cards to Visa interview or sufficient to show online copies?

U.S. Vice Consul : If you have the official results, you should bring them; if all you have are the online copies, bring those -- although the consular officer may not ask to see them. While you might be asked about the scores, they are only a small part of qualifying for the student visa.

Student: Hello,

I got admission from SUNY, Buffalo for MS. Actually in my passport a letter in my mother's surname was not printed(The surname in passport is Suramudi instead of SuramPudi). During attending a visa interview will this be a problem; because the financial documents or property documents which I am going to submit during the Visa interview are under my mother's name. Is it compulsory to rectify it or will it lead to visa rejection???? Please kindly suggest me.....

U.S. Vice Consul : First---if your passport doesn't reflect your name accurately, you should get a new passport. If the only error is in your mother's data, that shouldn't be a problem, as long as the officer can clearly connect you with your mother.

Student: Sir I've got admission in George mason university , Virginia and I have 4 backlogs (not active) now I have cleared all of them
Will that be a constrain in issuing me visa

U.S. Vice Consul: Backlogs, test scores, or academic scores are just a few aspects of a student visa application. Consular officers look at the totality of a student's profile during their interview to assess whether they meet the qualifications for a visa class. You should be prepared to talk about your academic past in India and future plans to prove you are a credible, qualified student.

An applicant for a student visa (F-1 or M-1) must demonstrate the following:

- Acceptance at a school.
- Possession of sufficient funds.
- Minimum preparation for course of study.
- Present intent to leave the United States at conclusion of studies.

Student: Dear officer,i have attend U.S consulate at Hyderabad for f-1 visa on December 13 2012. My case was put on hold for administrative processing and they have taken my passport and issued me a case no 2012347635001. I didn't get any reply from consulate till now. I have already differeed my admission for one semester at the university,and university has provided me with an new I-20,which states me to reach university before 3 June 2013. I am worried that will i get my visa before the deadline mentioned by the university. Please look in to my case and expedite my case faster.

U.S. Vice Consul : Some visa applications require further administrative processing, which takes additional time. Unfortunately, we cannot give a specific time frame since every case is different. Rest assured we process every case as quickly as possible and will do so in your case. When the processing is finished, we will ask you for your passport and updated I-20 at that time.

Student: what actually is f1 visa and what r d chances for students to get visa??
and suppose if any 1 applies for resident visa will it be sane as of F1

U.S. Vice Consul: An F1 visa is a non-immigrant visa that allows a person to study in the U.S., within certain conditions. The United States-India Educational Foundation (<http://www.usief.org.in/>) is a great source of information on schools and studying in the U.S. And, please visit the website: <http://hyderabad.usconsulate.gov/visaservices.html> for information on the steps to apply for a non-immigrant visa and document requirements

Student: My husband and I attended the visa interview at the US Hyderabad Consulate on the 2nd of January, 2013. We attended the visa interview for O-1 (Outstanding researcher) for my husband and O-3 (dependent visa) for me. Our visa was denied under section 221G with the case # 2012363552, Application ID no: AA002S8UA3. Our passports were not returned to us by the consular officer.

It has been 90 days since our visa interview and so far we haven't received any update from either the consulate or the CEAC website. Additionally, the case number given to us does not show up on the CEAC website. Further, the last updated date for our status has still been January 2nd since our interview.

Can we please know the current status of our visa and how much longer it might take? Can we further know the status of our passports since it's been three months that our passports have been withheld from us and is there any limitation on international travel while on administrative processing?

U.S. Vice Consul: With specific questions about your case, please write to us at HYDCEA@state.gov and we will be glad to assist.

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