

# International Student Services

## Fall 2020 Updates for Continuing F-1 Students

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We will answer questions at the end of the presentation.

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### Topics

- Administration Rescinds July 6 Rule
- The University of Arizona Fall 2020 Model
- Course Types
- Travel to the U.S.
- Enrollment Requirements
- Updated I-20s
- Enrolling Remotely
- Resources and E-Forms



# Timeline of SEVP Guidance

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## March 2020

- SEVP releases guidance on emergency procedures

## July 6, 2020

- SEVP releases Fall 2020 guidance with severe restrictions including online study
- University of Arizona participates in filing lawsuit

## July 14, 2020

- Administration rescinds latest guidance reverting back to March 2020 guidance



# Fall 2020 at Main Campus

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- Hybrid model (in-person and online)
- Face covering requirement
- Test, Trace, and Treat strategy
- Reduced classroom sizes and capacities
- Classroom safety protocols and equipment
- Flexible modalities
- Finals and testing will be delivered in an online modality after Thanksgiving, but you will remain in in-person or hybrid units and will be in status.



# Fall 2020 Course Types for Main Campus

## THE FOUR COURSE FORMATS



### IN-PERSON

Students and instructors all attend class in person with enhanced health protections, including wearing face coverings and decreasing classroom density.



### FLEX IN-PERSON

Students participate in a mix of in-person and online modes. For example, you may be in a rotating group that alternates between in-person and online meetings following the weekly class schedule. Or you may participate in lectures online and labs in person. The exact mix of in-person and online will be determined by your instructor.



### LIVE ONLINE

The instructor and students are online simultaneously, and your instructor provides content in a live online platform.



### iCOURSE

For the majority of coursework, students and instructors are not required to be online simultaneously, and students complete their work through D2L.

## IN-PERSON

- In-Person
- Flex In-Person (Hybrid)

## ONLINE

- Live Online (Remote)
- iCourse



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# Travel to the U.S.

If you require a new visa, most U.S. embassies have limited visa processing services.

Travel has been suspended for those physically in the countries or regions below 14 days before entry to the U.S.

- China
- Iran
- European Schengen Area \*\*
- Ireland and United Kingdom
- Brazil

There is a temporary restriction on entry to the U.S. through land ports of entry from **Canada** and **Mexico** to "essential travel" only. The notices include "traveling to attend educational institutions" as essential.

You will be able to download an official letter confirming the University of Arizona hybrid mode of operation at: [GLOBAL.ARIZONA.EDU/ISS/ANNOUNCEMENTS](https://global.arizona.edu/iss/announcements)



# Fall 2020 Enrollment Requirements for Maintaining Status

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*We do not know if SEVP will submit new guidance for Fall 2020.*

- Enroll full-time in Main Campus units
- SEVP will allow F-1 students to temporarily count online classes toward a full course of study in excess of the limits even if they have left the United States and are taking the online classes elsewhere.
- Based on the latest guidance, it appears that there is no limit to the number of fully online courses.
- The 5-month rule for visa validity does not apply for students who remain in Active status.

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# Can't Make it to the U.S.?

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**You can still enroll full time through the Main Campus and your SEVIS record will remain Active.**

If you will not enroll, we will need to terminate your record for Authorized Early Withdrawal.

Global Campus may be a good option for you if you cannot make progress toward the completion of your degree through the main campus remote options.

- Short-term online options are available for undergraduate and graduate students in nearly any program of study so you can come to the main campus in January or August 2021
- Consult with your academic advisor or graduate program coordinator
- Have questions about the Global Campus? Visit [everywhere.arizona.edu](http://everywhere.arizona.edu) or send an email to [intl-isps@email.arizona.edu](mailto:intl-isps@email.arizona.edu) and one of our staff can help.





# Resources and E-forms

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E-forms: [MYGLOBAL.ARIZONA.EDU](https://myglobal.arizona.edu)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and UArizona Hybrid Model & Electronic I-20 Letter:  
[GLOBAL.ARIZONA.EDU/ISS/ANNOUNCEMENTS](https://global.arizona.edu/iss/announcements)

Schedule an Appointment: [GLOBAL.ARIZONA.EDU/ISS/ADVISING](https://global.arizona.edu/iss/advising)

Global Campus: [EVERYWHERE.ARIZONA.EDU](https://everywhere.arizona.edu)

SEVP Guidance: [ICE.GOV/CORONAVIRUS](https://ice.gov/coronavirus)

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