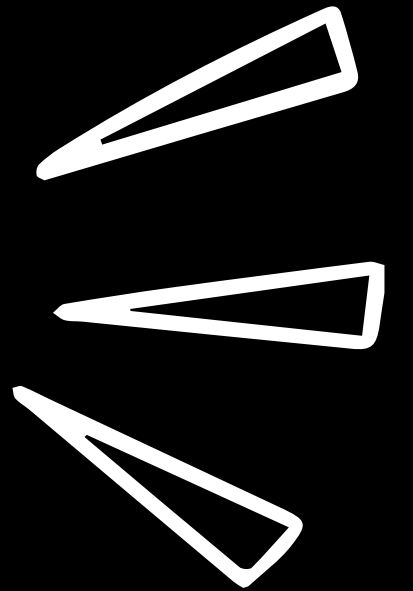
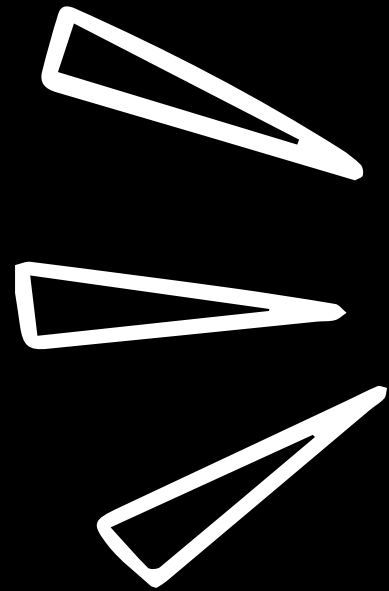


# **J-1 Exchange Visitor Visa Immigration Regulations**



# Questions? Need assistance?



## Contact Us

Before you schedule an appointment or contact us, the answers to most F-1 student questions can be found here:



CPT: Off-Campus Work Authorization



Social Security Numbers (SSN)



Travel Outside the US



Applying for a Maryland Driver's License or State ID



OPT: Post-Graduation Work Authorization



STEM OPT Extension



Extend Your F-1 Program (I-20)



Change of Immigration Status



New Students!  
Download the International Student Arrival Guide



COVID-19: Spring 2022 Options for New and Continuing F-1 Students



Something else?  
See how to contact ISSS

Appointment required:  
[issss.umbc.edu/contact/](https://issss.umbc.edu/contact/)  
University Center, 207a



# Meet the Education Abroad Office



Alicyn Curtis -Education Abroad Advisor



Brianna Brown - Graduate Assistant

Location: University Center 207a

Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm

Contact: [educationabroad@umbc.edu](mailto:educationabroad@umbc.edu)





# J-1 Exchange Visitor Program/BridgeUSA

- Promote mutual understanding between the people of the United States (U.S.) and the people of other countries by educational and cultural exchanges.
- Exchange Visitor program participants are expected to return to their home countries to utilize the experience and skills they have acquired while in the U.S.



# J-1 Exchange Visitor Categories

UMBC is approved to host Exchange Visitor participants in the following categories:

- Student
- Professor
- Short-Term Scholar
- Research Scholar

Each category has different sets of rules and requirements. Changing categories requires approval from U.S. Department of State and is rarely granted.



# SEVIS

- Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS)
- Database and record keeping between UMBC, the Department of Homeland Security and Department of State.
- All J-1 EVs and J-2 dependents have unique records in SEVIS



# Important Immigration Documents

- DS-2019
- I-94
- Visa
- Passport



# DS-2019

## Program End Date

## Your Signature

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## SEVIS Number

# Travel Signature



# U.S. Visa



# Number of Entries

# Expiration Date

You **can** stay in the US after the visa expiration date as long as your DS-2019 is current. You cannot **enter** the US if your visa is expired. Your passport must always have six months of future validity from the day you request entry to the U.S.



# I-94 Document

- A record of arrival and departure
- Assigned by CBP when you arrive.
- Different each time you enter the U.S.
- Used by some employers and government agencies.
- Issued electronically unless you enter the U.S. by land or sea.

## Most Recent I-94

Admission (I-94) Record Number : 29595827356

Most Recent Date of Entry: 2018 June 09

Class of Admission : J1

Admit Until Date : D/S

Details provided on the I-94 Information form:


Last/Surname : BAUDRE  
First (Given) Name : LEA MONIQUE  
Birth Date : 1997 January 29  
Passport Number : 17AT04375  
Country of Issuance : France




GET THIS TRAVELER'S TRAVEL HISTORY




Official Website of the Department of Homeland Security





I-94 Website  
Travel Records for  
U.S. Visitors





U.S. Customs and  
Border Protection

HOME

APPLY FOR NEW I-94


GET MOST RECENT I-94

VIEW TRAVEL HISTORY

FAQ

Official Site for Travelers Visiting the United States:  
Apply for or Retrieve Form I-94


International travelers visiting the United States can apply for or retrieve their I-94 admission number/record (which is proof of legal visitor status) as well as retrieve a limited travel history of their U.S. arrivals and departures.



Visiting the U.S. & Arriving via a Land Border?

An I-94 form is needed by all persons except U.S. Citizens, returning resident aliens, aliens with immigrant visas, and most Canadian citizens visiting or in transit. Air and Sea travelers will be issued I-94s during the admission process at the port of entry.


APPLY FOR NEW I-94  
(Land Border Travelers Only)



Already Visiting & Need Proof of Visitor Status?

A traveler lawfully admitted (or paroled) into the U.S. may print their *lawful record of admission* (I-94 form) from this CBP website. If someone requests your admission information, this is the form you would provide.

GET MOST RECENT I-94



Need A History Of Your Arrivals & Departures?

View your U.S. arrival and departure history for the past 5 years (certain types of travel history may not be provided). Please know, this travel history is a tool to assist you but not an official record for legal purpose.

VIEW TRAVEL HISTORY

Most recent I-94

All I-94 numbers ever issued



## Get Most Recent I-94



Get your most recent I-94 form to prove your legal visitor status in the United States

Enter Traveler Info

Most Recent I-94 Results

### Enter Your Traveler Info

Note: The info returned may not reflect applications submitted to or benefits received by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services or Immigration and Customs Enforcement.



\* First (Given) Name :

\* Last (Family) Name/Surname :



\* Birth Date :

Day

Month

Year



\* Passport Number :



\* Passport Country of Issuance :



[Cancel](#)

NEXT >

- Enter information EXACTLY as it appears in your passport
- Don't forget U.S. date order





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# Your Passport

- Six months of future validity upon entry
- Passport should not expire while in the U.S.
- Carry a copy, not original



# How to maintain your J-1 status

- Comply with health insurance requirements
- Attend International Student Orientation
- Depart the United States within 30 days following program end date
- Engage ONLY in activities listed on DS-2019
- Do not engage in unauthorized employment
- Comply with all local, state, and federal laws
- Maintain passport validity for six months into the future
- Report any change in physical address within 10 days
- Request program extensions or transfers one month prior to the end date of your DS-2019



# Maintaining your J-1 status

- Failure to maintain valid J-1 status can result in the termination of your visa and jeopardize your ability to enter the United States in the future.
- It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure that you maintain valid J-1 status. We are here to help if you have any questions.





# Employment Options

## On-Campus Employment

- UMBC or BWI Tech Park ONLY
- Must have written authorization from ISSS in advance
- 20 hours per week during semester
- Handshake

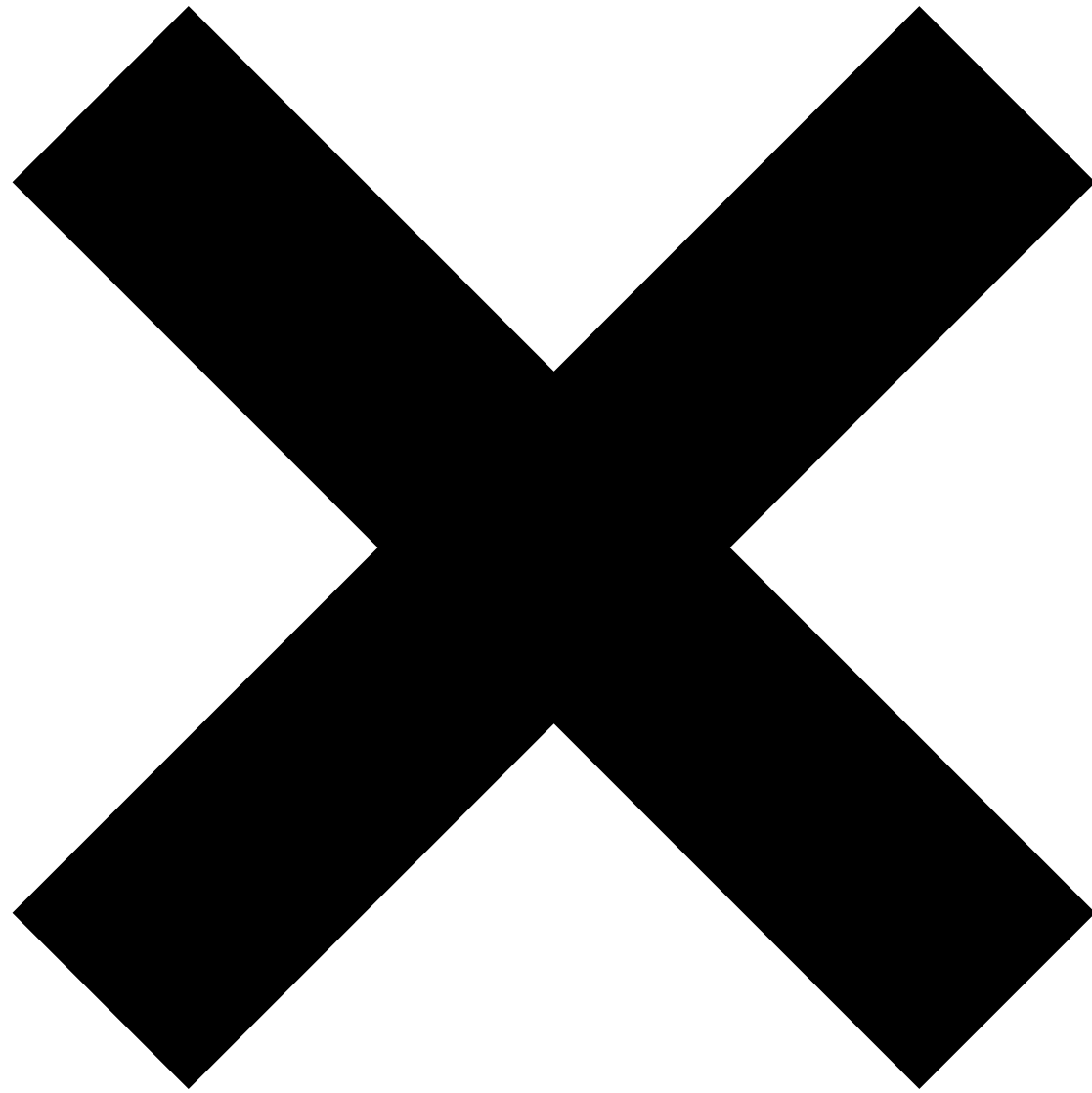


## Academic Training (Off-campus)

- Student category only
- Usually after completing studies
- Must be related to academic field
- Must be approved by ISSS BEFORE working
- Must be in good academic standing and have approval from advisor
- Apply on ISSS Portal



# J-1 Program Termination



Exchange Visitors who fail to comply with all J-1 regulations are subject to termination from their J-1 program.

Reasons may include:

- Unauthorized employment in the U.S.
- Failure to maintain health insurance
- Violation of rules and regulations of the Exchange Visitor program, state, local, federal, or UMBC
- Engaging in activities not allowed by your EV category or DS-2019



# J-1 Visa Revocation

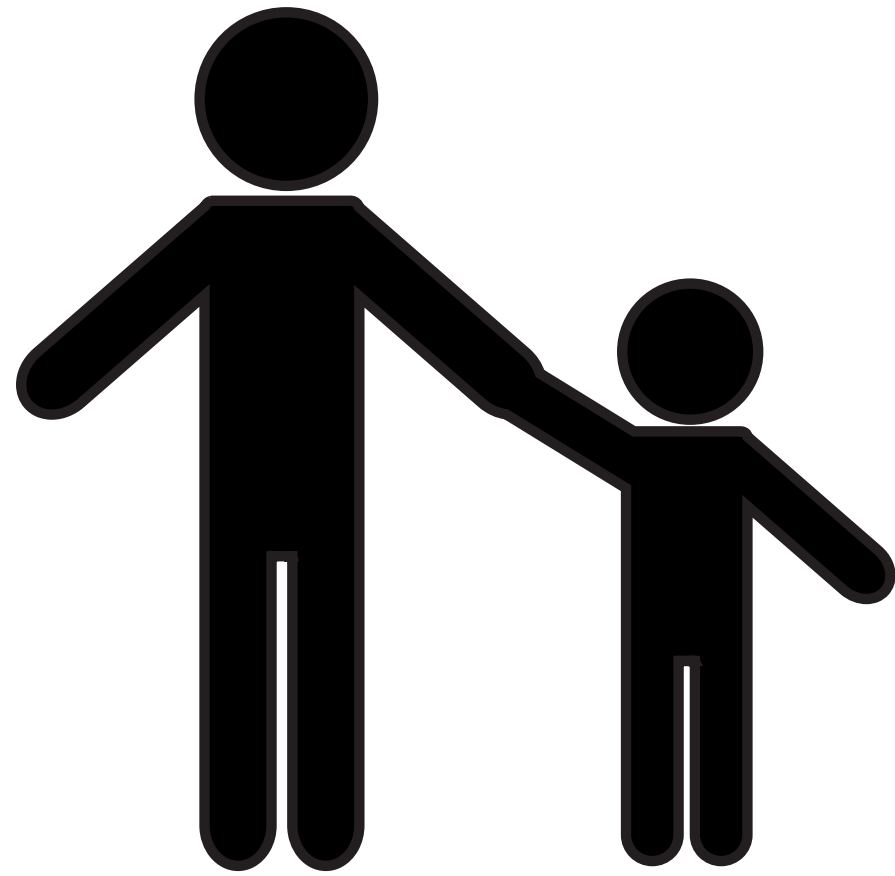


Department of State now requires consular officers to prudentially revoke non-immigrant visas of individuals arrested for (not convicted) of driving under the influence or similar arrests/convictions that occurred within the previous five years.

Please contact ISSS staff if you are arrested or given a citation



# Family Members: J-2 Dependent Information



## Work for J-2 Dependents:

- Eligible to apply for work authorization with USCIS with form I-765
- For instructions and the application visit [uscis.gov](https://uscis.gov)

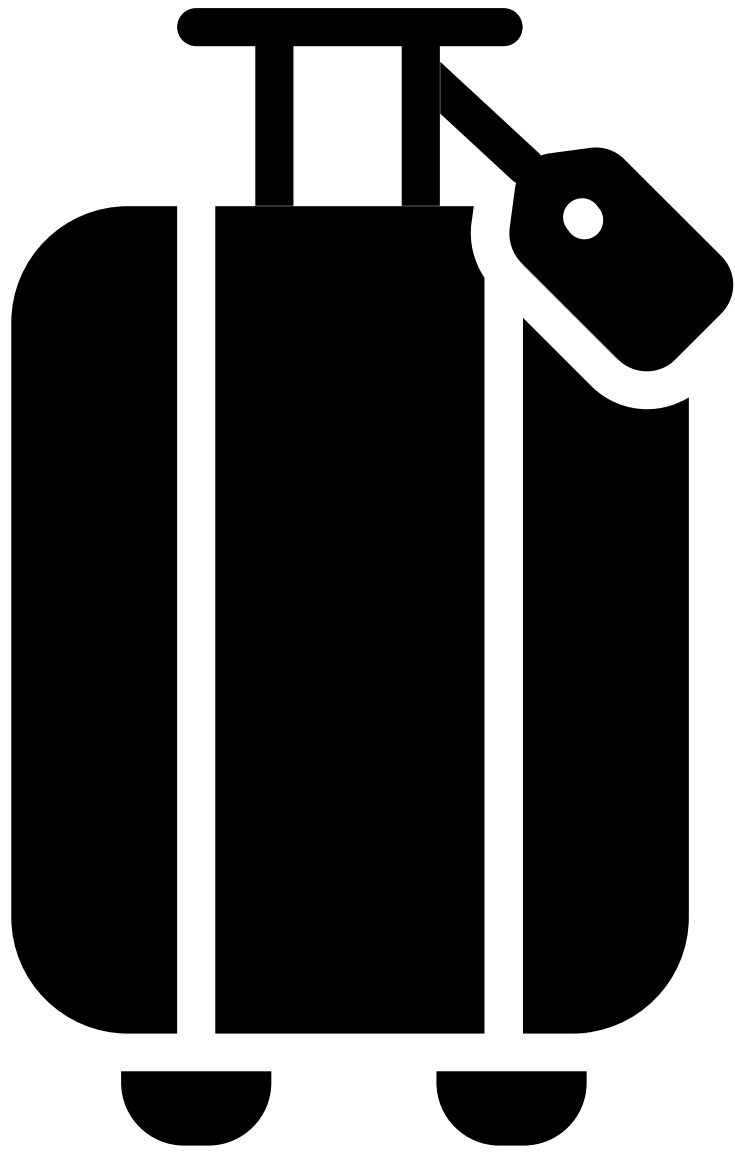
## School and Study:

- Dependents under the age of 18 are permitted to attend primary and secondary school in the U.S.
- Adult dependents are permitted to study full or part-time





# Travel Outside the U.S.



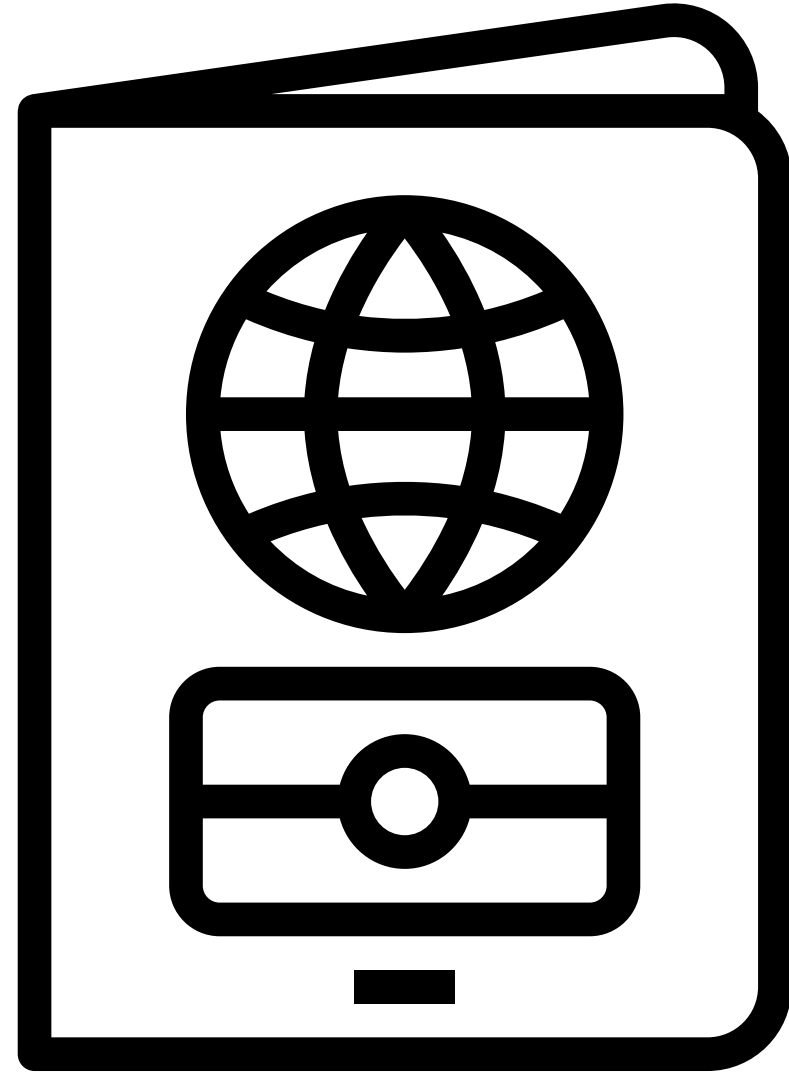
To re-enter the U.S. during your EV program you must present CBP with:

- A valid and active DS-2019 with travel signature from ISSS/ISEP staff
- A passport that is valid for at least 6 months into the future from the date you return to the U.S.
- A visa that is valid on the date that you enter the U.S.  
(Canadians are exempt)

**Make sure all documents are in your carry-on luggage, not in your checked bags.**



# Travel Inside the U.S.

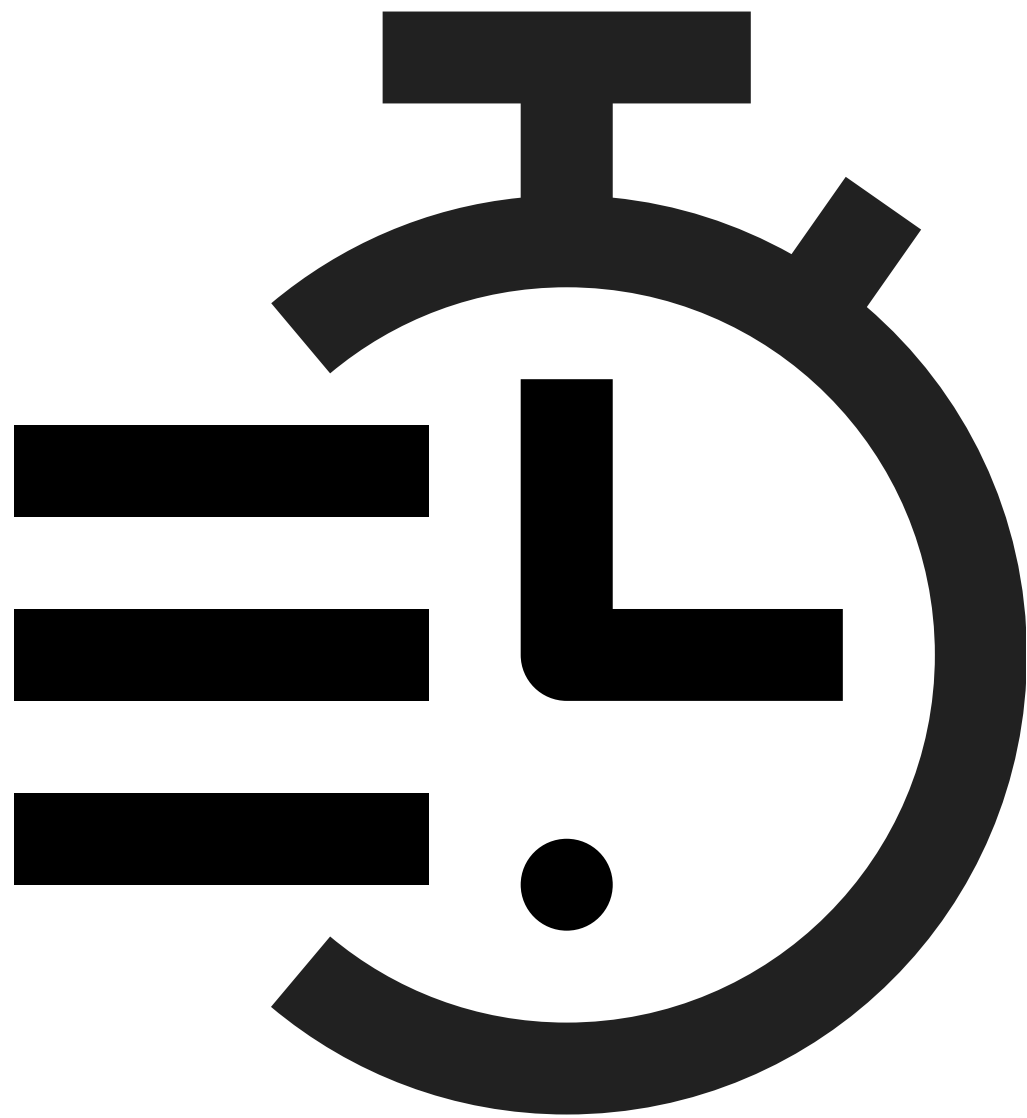


During your time in the U.S. please carry the following documents with you when traveling:

- Passport
- Copy of I-94 record
- DS-2019
- Any state issued IDs or drivers license if applicable



# The end of your EV Program



- Federal regulations require that you depart the U.S. within 30 days from the program end date listed on your DS-2019
- During these 30 days you are not permitted to engage in any activities related to EV program – no research, teaching, lecturing etc.
- You may not leave the U.S. after your program end date and return. The 30 days only applies if you remain in the U.S.



# Social Security Number (SSN)

## Purpose

- Required to get paid
- Tracks income for tax purposes

## Application Process

- Receive job offer
- Update your US address in myUMBC, then email your job offer letter to ISSS
- See the ISSS website for more details: [iss.umbc.edu/ssn/](https://iss.umbc.edu/ssn/)





# Annual Income Tax Filing

Tax returns are filed every year to summarize how much tax money you have paid on your income, and if you owe more or are due a refund back.

- Annual Tax Returns are due each year around April 15 - we provide free software (Sprintax)

**ALL students and scholars** are required to file income tax forms whether you earn any income or not



