
To: All SEVIS Users

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Re: SEVIS Notice—Removal of Transport Layer Security (TLS) V1.0 and V1.1 Protocol

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General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will make changes to the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) Production environment (including Alpha and Beta environments) on Friday, Nov. 2, 2018, to mitigate security issues and align with industry best practices.

SEVP will no longer support Transport Layer Security (TLS) versions 1.0 and 1.1. Moving forward, only TLS 1.2 will be supported. This change may impact the ability of older web browsers to connect to the SEVIS web servers. To test your web browser’s capabilities, you can direct it to https://www.ssllabs.com/ssltest/viewMyClient.html for an analysis of its support for protocols and ciphers. If your web browser does not support TLS 1.2, you will need to upgrade to a newer version or select another web browser that is supported.

If you have any questions about this security upgrade, please send them to Sevis.Batch@ice.dhs.gov. If you are a SEVIS Batch software developer and did not receive the associated email regarding Batch implications, please email Sevis.Batch@ice.dhs.gov for a copy of that notice.

Comments

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