

**Broadcast Message:** SEVP Launches External Training Application

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**General Information**

On Nov. 20, 2019, the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) launched the SEVP External Training Application (SETA).

SETA is an online learning management tool for current and prospective school and sponsor officials. SETA courses primarily teach the rules and regulations governing SEVP and the Department of State's Exchange Visitor Program (EVP).

The SETA platform is independent of SEVIS and must be accessed on a [separate website](#) where users must create an account with login credentials of their choosing. Once an account is created, users may take each course at once or set their own pace towards completion. Users also have the option to test out of each course.

For SETA's initial launch, SEVP is introducing four new courses that each contain lessons on key SEVP and EVP functions, responsibilities and resources. These four new courses are:

- **SEVP Basics** – This course provides an overview of SEVP, SEVIS and the management of nonimmigrant student records.
- **SEVP 101** – This course discusses the history of SEVP and describes the different types of nonimmigrant students and exchange visitors. This course also identifies the programs that certify, monitor and oversee nonimmigrant students and exchange visitors.
- **EVP 101** – This course introduces the U.S. Department of State's Exchange Visitor Program (EVP). The course discusses the history of the EVP, the purpose of exchange visitor categories and gives insight into the personal experiences of exchange visitors. This course also describes the roles of sponsors and participants.
- **Introduction to Initial SEVP Certification** – This course gives an overview of federal regulations that govern SEVP's school certification process and requirements. It outlines important continuing responsibilities for certified schools and helps schools identify if SEVP certification is right for their school.

At this time, completion of the first four courses available in SETA is not mandatory. Current and prospective school and sponsor officials are encouraged to take this training to boost understanding of the rules and regulations governing SEVP and EVP. SEVP expects to continually evolve the application and intends to add additional courses as part of an ongoing effort to educate and train school and sponsor officials.

To access SETA, please use this [link](#) and refer to the [SETA Account Creation User Guide](#) to create an account. For additional questions, please refer to the [SETA Launch Frequently Asked Questions](#) also available on the [SETA resource page](#) on [Study in the States](#).

For issues related to accessing SETA, please email [SETA@ice.dhs.gov](mailto:SETA@ice.dhs.gov). The SEVP Response Center will also direct all emails and calls to this email.

**Comments**

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