Broadcast Message: School Officials: Verify Employment Data for Active F-1 Students on Post-Completion OPT and M-1 Students on Practical Training

To: Specified PDSOs and DSOs at SEVP-certified schools

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General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) is aware that employment data for F-1 students on post-completion optional practical training (OPT) and M-1 students on practical training in the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) and the SEVP Portal may not be synchronized. Updates made to student employment data in the SEVP Portal may not be reflected in SEVIS.

If you are receiving this message, you may have students whose employment data may not be accurately reflected in SEVIS. To ensure accurate data, SEVP requests that school officials work with impacted students in Active status to review and update their employment data in SEVIS to match data in the SEVP Portal. Affected students not in Active status have received a Broadcast Message instructing them to work with the SEVP Response Center (SRC) to update their data in SEVIS. All SEVIS updates should be completed by May 16, 2022. The attached encrypted zip file provides a list of students whose employment data should be reviewed and updated. A second email will be sent with the password to the zip file within the same business day that this Broadcast Message is disseminated.

School officials should work with impacted students in Active status and update their SEVIS data. If you have questions regarding the verification of student employment data for Active F-1 students on post-completion OPT and Active M-1 students on practical training or have not received an email with the password for the encrypted file, please contact the SRC via email at SEVP@ice.dhs.gov or via phone at 703-603-3400 or 800-892-4829. The SRC is open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET, except federal holidays

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