Broadcast Message: Submit CIP Code Nominations for the DHS STEM Designated Degree Program List by Aug. 1, 2022

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General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) is announcing a deadline of Aug. 1, 2022, to nominate Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) codes for potential inclusion or removal from the DHS STEM Designated Degree Program List.

Nominations may be submitted by email to the SEVP Response Center at SEVP@ice.dhs.gov, with the subject line “Attention: STEM CIP Code Nomination.” Nominations should include the following information:

- Title and six-digit code of the CIP code being nominated.
- The name, email address and telephone number of the nominator; if submitted on behalf of an educational institution or other institutional entity, please indicate the appropriate contact person at the institution.
- If nominating a CIP code for inclusion, a description of how the field of study under this CIP code engages students in research, innovation or development of new technologies using engineering, mathematics, computer science or natural sciences (including physical, biological and agricultural sciences).
- If nominating a CIP code for removal, a description of how the field of study under this CIP code does not engage students in research, innovation or development of new technologies using engineering, mathematics, computer science or natural sciences (including physical, biological and agricultural sciences).

SEVP will review all nominations submitted by Aug. 1, 2022, and anticipates publishing any changes to the DHS STEM Designated Degree Program List in 2023. The program will announce any changes to the list via a Federal Register Notice and through its communication channels, including Broadcast Messages, Study in the States blog posts and social media.

Nominations submitted after Aug. 1, 2022, will be considered for a potential future update to the list. Please be aware that August 1 will be an annual, recurring deadline for stakeholders to submit nominations to SEVP.

The DHS STEM Designated Degree Program List is a complete list of fields of study that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) considers to be science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) for the purpose of the 24-month STEM optional practical training extension. Additional information about the DHS STEM Designated Degree Program List, CIP code eligibility, the CIP code nomination process and how SEVP will assess nominations is available at ICE.gov/SEVIS/Schools, under the DHS STEM Designated Degree Program List and CIP Code Nomination Process header.
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