

## I-20 APPLICATION FORM

Please fill in the following information and upload the completed form to your [my.hofstra.edu](https://my.hofstra.edu) portal or email as an attachment with your full name and Hofstra ID number included to the appropriate Admission office email as listed below. You must include a copy of your passport identification page and proof of financial support. **If you hold U.S. citizenship or U.S. permanent residency ("green card"), or have a pending application for U.S. permanent residency, please do not fill in this form and contact Admissions to inform them you do not need the I-20 or a student visa to study at Hofstra.**

**For undergraduate students:**

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Office of Graduate Admission

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**I have been accepted to Hofstra University and am planning to attend (*check one*):☐ Fall (September)      ☐ Spring (January)      Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Level:      Bachelor's      Master's      Doctorate      Other

I will be studying (*major*): \_\_\_\_\_**PART I: Personal Information**

Please enter your name exactly as it appears in your passport. Attach a copy of your passport identification page.

Name in Passport: \_\_\_\_\_  
Surname      Given Name      Middle Name(s)Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ City of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\* If you have citizenship in multiple countries, please tell us which passport you will use to apply for the F-1 visa:

Foreign Address (your permanent home address outside the U.S., not a post office box):

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province/Territory \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

**PART II: U.S. Immigration History**

Are you holding F-1 visa/status and currently studying in the U.S., on a school break, or on valid OPT?

Yes (Please fill in only section **A** below, then proceed to Part III.)

No (Please skip to section **B** below.)

**A.** Please submit this form: [hofstra.edu/f1transfer](https://hofstra.edu/f1transfer) and enter your current address in the United States:

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

When is your last date of attendance at your previous school or your OPT end date on your EAD card\*?

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

*\* If you attended a U.S. school or your OPT end date is within 5 months of when you will begin your program at Hofstra, you need to have your SEVIS record transferred to Hofstra before your Form I-20 can be issued. Please contact the international student advisor at your previous school immediately to authorize the release of your SEVIS record to Hofstra.*  
**IMPORTANT:** F-1 transfer students must use a Form I-20 issued by Hofstra University to return to the United States to begin an academic program at Hofstra.

**B.** Do you currently hold another category of U.S. visa or immigration status in the U.S.?

**If yes,** please explain your situation and tell us what visa type or immigration status you hold:

\_\_\_\_\_  
If you are currently in the U.S. with another visa/status and want to change to F-1 status, please inform us so we can issue your I-20 accordingly. If you are currently in the U.S., what is your plan?

\_\_\_\_\_  
**If no,** you are not currently in active F-1 status or holding any other U.S. visa/status, we will issue an initial I-20 for you to apply for the F-1 visa. Please proceed to Part III.

**PART III: How You Will Receive the Form I-20**

Your Form I-20 will be sent to you electronically via email to the address you indicate below. Please ensure the email you provide here matches the personal email you entered in your admission application. For reasons of privacy, security, and fraud prevention, the I-20 must be sent directly to you, the student, at the email address you provide below.

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note the Form I-20 will not be physically mailed to you. Current U.S. government immigration guidance permits the use of electronic signatures by school officials on the Form I-20 and electronic transmission of the form to expedite issuance of the Form I-20 and avoid complications related to mailing documents. Upon receipt of the emailed Form I-20, students should print a copy to present at any required visa interview and upon arrival at a U.S. port of entry.

**PART IV: Proof of Financial Support**

Students must prove they have the means to cover the cost of studying and living in the United States for the full length of their program of study. Hofstra requires documentation showing readily available, or “liquid” funds, for the first year and barring any unforeseen circumstances, adequate funds for each subsequent year.

Information on the estimated cost for an average student for one academic year (9 months) of study based on the current year tuition rates are posted on our website at [hofstra.edu/tuition](https://hofstra.edu/tuition). Tuition and fees are subject to change at any time. Please keep in mind that is an estimate, and that individual student costs may vary, depending upon factors including the number of semester hours taken, the housing option and dining plan selected.

**Please submit proof of financial support that meets these requirements:**

- ✓ Financial documents must be in English or accompanied by a translation by a certified translator.
- ✓ All funds must be “liquid” (savings or checking accounts or certificates of deposit – no investments, insurance, assets, bonds, retirement funds, or securities).
- ✓ Financial documents must show the name of the account holder. If the account is not in the student’s name, the account holder (sponsor) must complete and submit an Affidavit of Support: [hofstra.edu/affidavitofsupport](https://hofstra.edu/affidavitofsupport)
- ✓ Financial documents must show the currency of the account if the funds are not in the primary currency of the country where the bank is located.
- ✓ Financial documents must have been issued within the past 3 months prior to the submission of this form.
- ✓ If you will be funded by a government agency, private foundation, or other organization, please include a copy of an official award letter.

Funding may come from multiple sources. You must provide documentation for each source. Funding may come from Hofstra University scholarships where a student has been awarded a scholarship and meets all terms and conditions of the scholarship.

**PART V: Additional Information**

1. Are any dependents\* accompanying you to the United States?                      Yes                      No

*\*Only your spouse and minor children (under age 21) may be included as family members (dependents).*

**If yes**, please submit this form: [hofstra.edu/dependentinformation](https://hofstra.edu/dependentinformation)

2. Will a family member or sponsor be providing you with free off-campus accommodation for the duration of your educational program at Hofstra University?                      Yes                      No

**If yes**, please submit this form: [hofstra.edu/freeroomandboard](https://hofstra.edu/freeroomandboard)

**Certification and Signature** (Please read and sign the following statement.)

I hereby certify that all the information on this application form is true and accurate and that the stated funds are available for my educational expenses at Hofstra University. I understand that if I provide false information in this document, my SEVIS record may be terminated and I may be subject to University disciplinary action and/or rescission of admission to the University.

Student Signature\* \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Month/Day/Year

*\*Signature must be signed by hand or by electronic signature. Typing the name is not acceptable.*