


IMPORTANT STEPS FOR GETTING YOUR F-1 VISA

Please follow the instructions below to complete your visa application and schedule your visa interview **online**.

If you have questions about the scheduling process **or receive a visa denial**, contact:

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For additional information, visit: <https://www.suny.edu.tr/vize-basvurusu>

STEP 1: Complete the DS-160 Visa Application

Complete the **Nonimmigrant Visa Electronic Application (DS-160)** and **print the confirmation page with the barcode**.

Application website: <https://ceac.state.gov/genniv>

 Complete the application **as soon as you receive your I-20 form**.

DS-160 Instructions

- You **may use a scanned copy** of your I-20 to complete the DS-160
- You must bring your I-20 to your visa interview

Important Tips

- **Save your Application ID Number**
- Save your work frequently before clicking **“Continue”**
- You may save the completed form to your computer and review it
- Once verified, click **SUBMIT**
- Print the confirmation page **on white paper**
- Make sure the barcode prints clearly

Errors on the DS-160

- Any mistake requires correcting the form or submitting a **new DS-160**
- Incorrectly selecting gender will also require correction or resubmission

Language Requirement

- Complete the form **in English**
- **✗ DO NOT use Turkish characters**

Photo Requirements

- You **must upload a photo** while completing the DS-160
- The photo must meet official [specifications](#):

 **Bring a physical copy of the photo** to your visa interview as well.


Phone Number Format

Enter all telephone numbers **with country code**:

- **Turkey:** 90-312-295-6234
- **U.S.:** 1-212-555-5555

General Application Rules

- Answer **every question**
- If a question does not apply, select **“Does Not Apply”**
- Review all answers carefully
- **!** Incorrect or incomplete information may result in **visa denial**

 Applicants who do **not generate a barcode** and **do not click “Submit”** have **NOT** completed the DS-160 correctly.

STEP 2: Schedule Your Visa Appointment

You Will Need:

- **Passport**
 - Valid for at least **6 months beyond** your intended U.S. arrival date
- **DS-160 confirmation page**
 - Confirmation number begins with **“AA”**
- **I-20 form** (original or copy)
 - Includes **SEVIS ID** (begins with **“N”**)

Schedule Online: <https://www.ustraveldocs.com/>

- Select your location ‘Türkiye Cumhuriyeti’ and ‘Nonimmigrant Visa Services.’
- Follow the instructions to schedule a visa appointment.
- Remember, you will not be able to schedule an appointment before making

- payment.
- Secure the closest visa appointment date even if it is after your classes start in the US. If you need to request an expedited appointment, you will do it after you schedule the visa appointment.
- Once your appointment has been scheduled, you will receive a confirmation email at the address you provided.

Visa Interview Preparation

Review interview preparation instructions here: <https://www.suny.edu.tr/vize-basvurusu>

Important Notes

- Appointments are **not available**:
 - After business hours
 - On Saturdays or Sundays
 - On Turkish or U.S. holidays

 Holiday calendar: <https://tr.usembassy.gov/events/>