



Kibathi Travels: Your Trusted Partner for F1 and Visitor Visa Applications to the U.S.

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A Complete Guide to the F1 Student Visa Application Process

1. Choosing the Right School

Before applying for an F1 visa, you must first be accepted by a U.S. institution certified by the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP). Our team will assist you in:

- Researching accredited schools and programs.
- Checking tuition fees, course requirements, and deadlines.
- Submitting your application to the chosen school.
- Receiving your admission letter upon acceptance.

2. Obtaining the Form I-20

Once accepted by a SEVP-certified school, you will receive Form I-20, which is required for your visa application. Our team will help you:

- Provide proof of financial support (bank statements, sponsor letter, or scholarships).
- Ensure all details on the I-20 are accurate.
- Pay the SEVIS I-901 Fee (\$350) at www.fmjfee.com

3. Completing the DS-160 Visa Application

The next step is to fill out the DS-160 form online. Our experts will guide you through:

- Accessing the form at ceac.state.gov/DS160
- Uploading a recent passport-sized photo.
- Paying the visa application fee (typically \$185, subject to change by U.S. consulate updates).
- Saving the DS-160 Confirmation Number for the visa interview booking.

4. Scheduling the Visa Interview

Our team will handle the scheduling of your interview at your nearest U.S. embassy or consulate:

- Visiting www.ustraveldocs.com
- Selecting your country and creating an account.
- Choosing an available interview date and time.
- Paying the visa appointment fee (varies by country).
- Printing the appointment confirmation for your interview.

5. Preparing for the Visa Interview

The interview is a crucial part of the process. Our team will help you gather and review the required documents:

- Valid passport (valid for at least six months beyond your intended stay in the U.S.).
- Form I-20 from your school.
- DS-160 confirmation page.
- Visa appointment confirmation.
- SEVIS I-901 payment receipt.
- Financial proof (bank statements, sponsorship letter, or scholarship confirmation).
- Academic documents (transcripts, certificates, standardized test scores if required by your school).
- Proof of ties to home country (employment letter, property documents, family connections).

6. Attending the Visa Interview

Our team will provide training to ensure you are well-prepared:

- We will conduct mock interviews to boost your confidence.

- Guide you on how to answer common interview questions.
- Ensure you understand the purpose of your study and financial plans.
- If approved, your passport will be taken for visa stamping and returned within a few days.
- If denied, our team will assist in analyzing the reason and preparing for reapplication.

7. Traveling to the U.S.

Once you receive your visa, our team will assist in:

- Booking your flight and planning your travel.
- Ensuring you arrive in the U.S. no earlier than 30 days before your program start date.
- Preparing documents for the port of entry, where you will present your passport, visa, and Form I-20 to the CBP officer.
- Finding accommodation and settling in smoothly.

Services Offered by Kibathi Travels

At Kibathi Travels, our team takes care of the entire F1 visa application process, ensuring a stress-free experience. Our services include:

- ✓ School Selection & Application Assistance – Helping you find the right institution and submit applications.
- ✓ I-20 Processing Support – Ensuring all requirements are met for a smooth I-20 issuance.
- ✓ DS-160 Form Completion – Our team will handle the application form for you.
- ✓ Visa Interview Booking & Preparation – We will schedule your appointment and provide mock interview coaching.
- ✓ Financial Document Review – Ensuring you have the right proof of funds for a successful visa application.
- ✓ Travel & Accommodation Assistance – Helping you plan your journey and find suitable housing in the U.S.

Why Choose Kibathi Travels?

- A dedicated team of visa experts guiding you at every step.
- Personalized support tailored to your unique situation.
- High success rate in F1 visa approvals.
- Hassle-free process to make your U.S. study dream a reality!

For expert assistance, visit www.kibathitravels.com or contact us at info@kibathitravels.com.