

New SEVIS Standards for Names and U.S. Home Address

NAME UPDATES:

Student Exchange and Visitor Program (SEVP), which runs SEVIS, has recently made changes to how addresses are updated and names will show on an I-20 and DS-2019. The main change is that there will no longer be any FNUs (Family/First Name Unknown), dashes, middle names, or special characters. This change will affect many of you as students or exchange visitors and as OISSS starts updating your Primary Names in the UH system, you will be receiving I-20's/DS 2019's which reflect this change.

ADDRESS UPDATES:

Your SEVIS address field in **my.uh.edu** will also need to be your current U.S. home address and need to follow the U.S. Postal Service standards. Please see the guidance below with how your address should be updated.

Your SEVIS address has to be updated to show the following:

- Line 1: Apt # or Unit (room) number if you live on campus. (It can also be your street address if you live in a house.)
- Line 2: Street Address
- **Line 3: DO NOT USE**
- City:____State:____ Zip Code:____

Keep in mind that you cannot use the following criteria below for your SEVIS address.

- 1. Mailbox, PO Box, or international addresses cannot be used.**
2. Do not include the name of your apartment complex.
- 3. It has to be where you sleep at night, not an address for your mail.**
4. It CANNOT have (C/O another person) as it means you do not live there.

If you think that this change will affect you and you have questions about this, please contact our office. More information on this change can be found at:

http://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/Slides_SEVIS_Names_and_Addresses_Webinar_2014-05-16.pdf