



GENERAL INFORMATION

Please thoroughly review all of the information below before starting the I-20 application process.

This information is designed for students who must obtain F-1 Student immigration status or transfer their current F-1 Student status to MCPHS University. Please read the following information very carefully to ensure a smooth I-20 application process and secure your legal ability to study in the U.S.

Please note that if you are currently in the U.S. in a different immigration status, you may be required to change to F-1 status, *or* you may be able to remain in your current status but have limitations on what sort of activities you may engage in during your program of study. For example:

- **B1/B2/WB/WT Visitor** status prohibits full-time study or enrollment in a degree program.
- **F-2 Dependent status** allows for enrollment in a degree program but prohibits full-time study or work authorization.
- **H-4 Dependent status** allows for enrollment in a degree program and full-time study but typically prohibits work authorization.
- **J-2 Dependent status** allows for enrollment in a degree program and full-time study but prohibits work authorization without first obtaining an Employment Authorization Document from the United States Citizenship & Immigration Service. J-2 Dependent students will need to consult with their program sponsor, who issued the form DS-2019.

If your current immigration status does not permit you to achieve your goals, you may be required to change it to F-1 Student.

If you have any questions regarding changing your immigration status, please contact Immigration & International Support Services by phone (617) 732-2816 or by email at internationalservices@mcphs.edu.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please contact International Admissions by phone (617) 732-2188 or by email at international.admission@mcphs.edu.

THE FORM I-20 CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

The Form I-20 Certificate of Eligibility (“I-20”) reflects your biographical and academic program information as reflected in the student record that we will create for you in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Student Exchange Visitor Information System (“SEVIS”). You will need your I-20 when you apply for an F-1 Student Visa from the U.S. Department of State and when you present to U.S. Customs & Border Protection when you enter the U.S.

To formally request an I-20, you will need to submit the following documents to our office:

- **[Electronic Form I-20 Application.](#)**
 - Please note that the **Electronic Form I-20 Application** does not save your progress, and, as such, **you must complete and submit the form in one sitting.**
 - It would be best if you reflect your name exactly as it appears in your passport.
 - If you wish to have a Dependent Spouse or Children join you in the U.S., please clearly list all dependents you would join you on your **Electronic Form I-20 Application**, listing their names exactly as they do in their passport(s). Please note that only your spouse and unmarried, minor children under the age of 21 are eligible to enter the U.S. in F-2 Dependent status. Each dependent must receive his/her own I-20 to obtain an F-2 Dependent visa.
- Copy of the biographical page(s) of your passport.
- Proof of available funds to finance your education. Please see the **Funding Your Education** section below.
- **If you wish to have a Dependent Spouse or Children join you in the U.S.**, you will also need to submit:
 - Copy of the biographical page(s) of each Dependent’s passport.
- **If you are currently studying at a U.S.-based academic institution (including high school, an English language school, or another college/university)**, a Designated School Official (“DSO”) at your current school will need to transfer your existing SEVIS Record to MCPHS before we can issue you an I-20. You will also need to submit:
 - **Notice of SEVIS Record Transfer to MCPHS** form completed by both you and a DSO at your current school.



- [I-94 Admission Document](#).
- Copy of the Entry Stamp you received when you last entered the U.S.
- Copy of the F-1 Visa affixed to your passport.
- Copies of every I-20 ever issued to you by your current academic institution and any other previous academic institution.
- Copies of any I-797 Approval Notices reflecting a change to F-1 status within the U.S., if applicable.
- If you are currently in a Post-Completion Optional Practical Training period, a copy of your Employment Authorization Document.
- If you or your DSO have any questions regarding your SEVIS Record Transfer, please contact Immigration & International Support Services by phone (617) 732-2816 or by email internationalservices@mcphs.edu.

To submit these documents, please login to the [MCPHS Application Portal](#) and upload them to your active program application. If you prefer, you can send the documents as email attachments in a separate, individual files. **Please do not send you documentation as one single PDF file.** When submitting your documents, be sure to provide your seven-digit MCPHS Student ID Number and your full name.

Once we receive all required documentation from you, we will create and ship your I-20 to you at the address you provide in your Electronic Form I-20 Application.

If you are entering the U.S. for the first time with an “Initial Attendance” I-20, by regulation, you must check-in with Immigration & International Support Services within 30 days of the Program Start Date listed on your I-20. *Failure to check-in by this deadline jeopardizes your immigration record and your ability to legally remain in the U.S.*

If you are transferring from a different school with a “Transfer Pending” I-20 must, by regulation you must check-in with the Immigration & International Support Services and obtain an updated “Continued Attendance” I-20 within 15 days of the Program Start Date listed on your I-20. *Failure to check-in and complete your SEVIS Record transfer by this deadline jeopardizes your immigration record and your ability to legally remain in the U.S.*

FUNDING YOUR EDUCATION

U.S. immigration regulations require MCPHS University to ensure that you possess adequate funding to cover your tuition, fees, living expenses, and other expenses for at least one year of study in order to issue you a Form I-20. It is strongly recommended that you request multiple copies of the documentation listed below, as you may be required to present to them at your visa application appointment. Please refer to the I-20 Total Estimated Annual Budget for financial estimates.

Your funding can be personal (your own money), from another individual (like from a family member or a friend), a third-party organization (like your home government or company), or MCPHS University (a scholarship or assistantship). **All funds must be guaranteed for payment or available for immediate withdrawal.** Please note that additional funding must be provided for any accompanying dependent for which a Dependent I-20 will be issued.

You must prove you possess sufficient funds to cover your program’s Total Estimated Annual Cost of Attendance:

- A. Tuition and Fees
- B. Living Expenses
- C. Dependent Expenses, if applicable

A + B + C = Total Estimated Annual Cost of Attendance

Please note that your actual costs may vary from your total estimated cost of attendance, but you still must show that you possess at least the total estimated cost of attendance in order for MCPHS to issue an I-20 to you. Tuition and fee estimates are based on historic yearly increases.

Please refer to the attached **MCPHS University Estimated Cost of Attendance (2023-2024)** handout for required funding totals and the attached **Financial Documentation Requirements for New I-20 documents** handout that outlines information requirements for each financial document type.



NOTICE OF SEVIS RECORD TRANSFER TO MCPHS UNIVERSITY

This form is for **students already present in the U.S. in F-1 Status** who request their current academic institution that issued the form I-20 (including high schools, English language schools, or another colleges/universities) to transfer their existing SEVIS I-20 Record to MCPHS.

Student Information	To be completed by the F-1 Student. Please enter names exactly as they appear on your current Form I-20, provide the Student's information.
MCPHS ID Number:	
Surname/Family Name(s):	
Given Name(s):	
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):	
Phone:	
Personal Email:	
MCPHS Program Name:	
MCPHS Program Start (Semester and Year):	
MCPHS Campus:	<input type="checkbox"/> Boston (BOS214F00218000) <input type="checkbox"/> Manchester (BOS214F00218004) <input type="checkbox"/> Worcester (BOS214F00218003)
Current School (Transferring From):	
Authorization to Transfer SEVIS Record:	By signing below, I hereby authorize a Designated School Official ("DSO") at my current school to provide the information below to MCPHS University.
Signature:	
Date Signed:	
SEVIS Record Transfer Information	To be completed by a Designated School Official ("DSO") at your current school.
SEVIS ID:	
Transfer Date:	
SEVIS Record Status:	
Student Immigration Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> To my knowledge, the Student is maintaining valid F-1 status. <input type="checkbox"/> The Student is out of status, and a reinstatement application is pending (please contact our office before you transfer the SEVIS Record). <input type="checkbox"/> The Student is out of status and must file a reinstatement application or travel to regain status (please contact our office before you transfer the SEVIS Record).
DSO Name:	
DSO Signature:	
Date Signed:	



FINANCIAL SPONSORSHIP CERTIFICATION FOR F-1 STUDENTS

The F-1 Student’s Financial Sponsor must fill out this form as an accompaniment to the valid financial documentation.

Please note:

- The accompanying financial documentation must be written in or **professionally** translated into English.
- The accompanying financial documentation must be dated **within the past six (6) months of submission.**
- The accompanying financial documentation must reflect funds available for **immediate** withdrawal, liquid assets.
- *Certain investment accounts such as stocks, salary documents, property holdings, etc. DO NOT reflect available funds and will not be accepted.*
- The monetary denomination of the funds in the account (e.g. USD, EUR, MXN, JPY, CNY, etc.).
- This form must reflect support for one (1) academic year or the length of the requested I-20 extension, whichever is shorter. Private organizations and companies funding a student **should not** use this form.

You can refer to our **Financial Documentation Requirements for New I-20 Documents** handout for more information regarding acceptable financial documentation and to our **Cost of Attendance Breakdown** handout for minimum expense figures.

STUDENT INFORMATION
F-1 Student Family Name(s):
F-1 Student Given Name(s):
MCPHS ID Number:

FINANCIAL SPONSOR CERTIFICATION
Sponsor Name:
Sponsor’s Relationship to Student (e.g. parent, spouse, friend, etc.):
Amount of Sponsorship (\$USD):
Certification: By signing below, I hereby certify that I am willing and able to financially support the above name student (and his/her family, if applicable), for tuition, academic fees, and living expenses, in the amount listed above, throughout the duration of his/her studies at MCPHS University. Official documentation of available funds for at least the first year of enrollment or extension is submitted alongside this Financial Sponsorship Certification. It is the Student’s responsibility to document availability of additional funding, if required.
Sponsor Signature:
Signature Date:



**MCPHS UNIVERSITY ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE
(2023-2024)**

ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE BY PROGRAM

The table below lists the estimated Cost of Attendance for one year in an MCPHS academic program (including estimated Living Expenses). This table does not include estimated Dependent Expenses. If a Dependent Spouse will join you in the U.S. as an F-2 Dependent, please add \$13,000.00 to your program’s “TOTAL” figure. If any Dependent Children you will join you in the U.S. F-2 Dependents, then add \$3,157.00 per Dependent to your program’s “TOTAL” figure.

You may refer to Appendices A-C below for more detailed breakdowns of the **Tuition & Fees, Living Expenses, Dependent Expenses, and Other Expenses** figures.

Campus	MCPHS School	Degree	Program Name	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Other Expenses	TOTAL
Boston	Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene	BS	Dental Hygiene	\$54,480.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,467.00
Boston	Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene	BS	Pre-Dental/Dental Hygiene	\$54,480.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,467.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	BS	Health Psychology	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	BS	Health Sciences	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	BS	Medical & Molecular Biology	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	BS	Premedical & Health Studies	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	BA	Health Humanities	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	BS	Public Health	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	BS/MS	Chemistry/Pharmaceutical Chemistry (Dual)	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	BS/MS	Public Health/Occupational Therapy (Dual)	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	MPH	Public Health	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Arts & Sciences	MS	Pharmaceutical Chemistry	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Healthcare Business	BS	Biomedical Informatics	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Healthcare Business	BS	Global Healthcare Management	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Healthcare Business	BS	Healthcare Management	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Medical Imaging & Technology	BS	Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Echocardiography	\$54,840.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,827.00
Boston	School of Medical Imaging & Technology	BS	Diagnostic Medical Sonography, General	\$54,840.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,827.00
Boston	School of Medical Imaging & Technology	BS	Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)	\$54,840.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,827.00
Boston	School of Medical Imaging & Technology	BS	Nuclear Medicine Technology	\$54,840.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,827.00
Boston	School of Medical Imaging & Technology	BS	Radiation Therapy	\$54,840.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,827.00
Boston	School of Medical Imaging & Technology	BS	Radiography	\$54,840.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,827.00
Boston	School of Nursing	BSN	Nursing	\$54,840.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,827.00
Boston	School of Nursing	Post-Bacc BSN	Nursing	\$54,840.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$98,827.00

Boston	School of Pharmacy	BS	Pharmaceutical Business	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	BS	Pharmacology & Toxicology	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	BS/MS	Pharmaceutical Sciences/Pharmaceutical Sciences (Dual)	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	Cert.	Advanced Pharmacy Practice Studies (CAPPS)	\$49,680.00	\$32,841.00	\$11,146.00	\$93,667.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	MS	Clinical Research	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	MS	Medicinal Chemistry	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	MS	Pharmaceutical Economics & Policy	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	MS	Pharmaceutical Sciences	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	MS	Pharmaceutics	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	MS	Pharmacology	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	MS	Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,984.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	PharmD	Pharmacy: Pre-Professional Phase (Years 1-2)	\$37,620.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,894.00	\$70,592.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	PharmD	Pharmacy: Professional Phase (Years 3-6)	\$44,220.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,894.00	\$77,102.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	PhD	Medicinal Chemistry	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,894.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	PhD	Pharmaceutical Economics & Policy	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,894.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	PhD	Pharmaceutics	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,894.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	PhD	Pharmacology	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,894.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Pharmacy	PhD	Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy	\$24,840.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,894.00	\$57,812.00
Boston	School of Physician Assistant Studies	MPAS	Physician Assistant Studies	\$44,220.00	\$23,988.00	\$8,894.00	\$77,082.00
Manchester	School of Nursing	Post-Bacc BSN	Nursing	\$54,480.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$90,987.00
Manchester	School of Pharmacy	PharmD	Pharmacy	\$59,430.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$95,937.00
Manchester	School of Physician Assistant Studies	MPAS	Physician Assistant Studies	\$55,410.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$91,917.00
Manchester	School of Rehabilitation Sciences	MSOT	Occupational Therapy	\$49,440.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$85,947.00
Worcester	Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene	BS	Dental Hygiene (Fast Track)	\$54,480.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$90,987.00
Worcester	New England School of Acupuncture	MAc	Acupuncture	\$21,500.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$58,007.00
Worcester	New England School of Acupuncture	MAOM	Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine	\$22,860.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$59,367.00
Worcester	School of Medical Imaging & Technology	BS	Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Echocardiography	\$54,480.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$90,987.00
Worcester	School of Medical Imaging & Technology	BS	Diagnostic Medical Sonography, General	\$54,480.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$90,987.00
Worcester	School of Nursing	Post-Bacc BSN	Nursing	\$54,480.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$90,987.00
Worcester	School of Optometry	OD	Optometry	\$49,140.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$85,647.00
Worcester	School of Pharmacy	MS	Medicinal Chemistry	\$24,840.00	\$17,228.00	\$8,894.00	\$50,962.00
Worcester	School of Pharmacy	MS	Pharmaceutics	\$24,840.00	\$17,228.00	\$8,894.00	\$50,962.00
Worcester	School of Pharmacy	MS	Pharmacology	\$24,840.00	\$17,228.00	\$8,894.00	\$50,962.00
Worcester	School of Pharmacy	PharmD	Pharmacy	\$59,430.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$95,937.00
Worcester	School of Pharmacy	PhD	Pharmaceutics	\$24,840.00	\$17,228.00	\$8,894.00	\$50,962.00
Worcester	School of Pharmacy	PhD	Pharmacology	\$24,840.00	\$17,228.00	\$8,894.00	\$50,962.00
Worcester	School of Physician Assistant Studies	MPAS	Physician Assistant Studies	\$55,410.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$91,917.00
Worcester	School of Rehabilitation Sciences	DPT	Physical Therapy	\$55,410.00	\$25,361.00	\$11,146.00	\$91,917.00



FINANCIAL DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW I-20 DOCUMENT

Funding Source	Documentation to Provide	Documentation must reflect all of the following information:
MCPHS University (e.g. scholarship, assistantship)	Award Letter ¹	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of award Frequency of disbursement Conditions of award
Home Government (e.g. Saudi Arabian Cultural Mission, Embassy of the State of Kuwait)	Financial Guarantee, written in or <u>professionally</u> translated into English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Date of issue The program at MCPHS that it will fund Exactly which expenses will be covered (e.g. tuition, academic fees, health insurance, living expenses, dependent expenses, etc.) The length of the financial support²
Private Organization or Company	Award Letter, written in or <u>professionally</u> translated into English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company contact information on official letterhead Date written The program at MCPHS that it will fund Exactly which expenses will be covered (e.g. tuition, academic fees, health insurance, living expenses, dependent expenses, etc.) The length of the financial support Signature from authorized representative³
Bank Loan	Official Certification, written in or <u>professionally</u> translated into English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank contact information Loan recipient's full name Loan disbursement date The monetary denomination of the funds to be disbursed (e.g. USD, EUR, MXN, JPY, CNY, etc.)
Personal Funds or Funds from Another Person	Official Bank Statement or Bank Letter, written in or <u>professionally</u> translated into English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Account statement date or the date letter written The account holder's full name The account number The account type (e.g. savings, checking etc.). Note: the account must contain <u>accessible funds/liquid assets</u>. Salary documents and documents that reflect possession of stocks/bonds or property holdings do not reflect available funds and <u>will not be accepted</u> The monetary denomination of the funds in the account (e.g. USD, EUR, MXN, JPY, CNY, etc.) The "Current Available Balance" of the account (i.e. the amount available for <u>immediate</u> withdrawal) Financial Sponsorship Certification if submitting documentation from someone other than yourself Signature from authorized bank representative if submitting a bank letter

¹If you have misplaced the original document, request a Student Financial Services Representative to send our office an email that confirms the award information.

²Funding must be available for a minimum of 1 year or the entire period requested for the I-20 extension.

³An authorized representative must have signatory authority over legal and/or financial matters of the organization/company.

APPENDIX A: LIVING EXPENSES

Campus	Summer Enrollment Required	Total
Boston	No	\$23,988.00
Boston	Yes	\$32,841.00
Manchester	No	\$17,228.00
Manchester	Yes	\$25,361.00
Worcester	No	\$17,228.00
Worcester	Yes	\$25,361.00

APPENDIX B: DEPENDENT EXPENSES, IF APPLICABLE

**Note: Only one (1) Dependent Spouse may join you in the U.S. as an F-2 Dependent. There is no limit on Dependent Children.*

Dependent	Cost Per Dependent
Spouse	\$13,000.00
Child	\$3,157.00

APPENDIX C: OTHER EXPENSES

Campus	Summer Enrollment Required	Estimated Health Insurance	Misc. Personal Expenses	Books & Supplies	Transport	Total
Boston	No	\$3,600.00	\$2,544.00	\$1,144.00	\$1,696.00	\$8,984.00
Boston	Yes	\$3,600.00	\$3,498.00	\$1,716.00	\$2,332.00	\$11,146.00
Manchester	No	\$3,600.00	\$2,544.00	\$1,144.00	\$1,696.00	\$8,984.00
Manchester	Yes	\$3,600.00	\$3,498.00	\$1,716.00	\$2,332.00	\$11,146.00
Worcester	No	\$3,600.00	\$2,544.00	\$1,144.00	\$1,696.00	\$8,984.00
Worcester	Yes	\$3,600.00	\$3,498.00	\$1,716.00	\$2,332.00	\$11,146.00