We are pleased that you are considering the University of Idaho to continue your educational career in the United States. This information will clarify some of the questions that you may have about the transfer process under the new SEVIS program.

1. Please provide the UI's admissions office with a completed and signed certificate of financial responsibility and a copy of a bank statement. You can find a copy of this document on the Web at http://www.uidaho.edu/graduateadmissions/forms. The copy of a bank statement or a letter from a bank should show that you (or if you are being sponsored, your sponsor) have enough funds to cover the amounts shown in the certificate of financial responsibility. These documents should be submitted as soon as possible to ensure prompt issuance of your new I-20.

2. Notify your international student advisor at your current school of your plans to transfer to the University of Idaho. Your current advisor will have to release your SEVIS record to us in order for us to issue a new I-20 in your name. Notifying your advisor is your responsibility and a very important step in the transfer process! If your current school requires a transfer form, you can print one at: http://www.students.uidaho.edu/gradadmissions/SEVISRecordTransfer

3. Notify the UI's admissions office and your current school of your travel plans! If you are planning to travel outside the United States before you come to the UI we will need to process your new I-20 accordingly. Short trips of 3 or fewer weeks are discouraged, as they will not allow enough time for processing of your new documents. This may prevent you from re-entering the United States.

4. Attend the International Student orientation and visit the University of Idaho’s international student advisor immediately after you arrive on campus! Your advisor will ensure that the transfer process is completed and that your documents are processed accordingly.

5. Maintaining your immigration status as an international student is YOUR responsibility! Please ask questions if you are unsure about anything regarding your status. Go to official sources! Friends and acquaintances may not be your best resource when it comes to immigration issues.

International students enrich the educational experience of everyone attending the University of Idaho! If you need help or have additional questions please contact us at

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