



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Dear students,

As a result of the lawsuit by MIT and Harvard, [Immigration and Customs Enforcement \(ICE\)/Student Exchange Visitor Program \(SEVP\) has rescinded their proposed guidance for the fall 2020 semester regarding online learning](#). **This means these policies will NOT go into effect for the fall semester.** In addition to the MIT and Harvard lawsuit, SAIC joined many institutions of higher education around the country also filing lawsuits opposing the guidance and demanding the agency rescind its decision.

SAIC is happy to hear that this proposed policy has been withdrawn and are now working to revise our advisement for the fall semester. Please be aware that the government will likely announce new guidance for the Fall semester. When we have confirmed information, we will update all students as soon as possible.

Please note:

- Information presented in the webinar on July 14 at 9 a.m. to continuing students may no longer apply to you in the same way
- International Affairs is actively seeking updates from SEVP to provide students clarity on existing and any upcoming guidance
- International Affairs is working with NAFSA, our national organization to understand how to properly and efficiently advise our students moving forward and will provide this information as soon as possible
- At this time, international students **do not need an updated I-20** as previously stated in the rescinded guidance
- Any new requirements will be communicated to students as information becomes available

We remain committed to working with you to offer support and guidance as we navigate through the upcoming months together.

Kind regards,
International Affairs

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