

## Pending Permanent Resident Alien

1. If you have filed an I-485 form with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), formerly the INS, but have NOT yet received your I-551, you must apply as an international student.
2. As a *pending permanent resident alien*, please submit a copy of your I-485 as proof that you have applied for lawful permanent residency status with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), formerly the INS.
3. If you have been issued a work permit by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), formerly the INS, please submit a copy of your work permit with your application.
4. If you are married to a Florida Resident or have become a Florida resident yourself, please submit a completed Florida Residency Classification Form (<http://download.grad.usf.edu/admissions/FLResidencyForm.pdf>). See also Residency Classification for International Students.
5. As a *pending permanent resident alien*, you will **NOT** be issued an I-20 and will **NOT** need to apply for an F-1 visa. (Therefore, you will not need to provide the Financial Support Requirement Form).

## Non F-1 Visa Applicant

In addition to *Pending Permanent Resident Aliens*, there are other types of international applicants who do not need an F-1 Visa to pursue their studies in the United States. These are applicants who have been granted indefinite stay in the U.S., or hold a visa type that allows them to go to school at American institutions, and include:

1. Visa category A - Government official.
2. Visa category E - Treaty trader or investor.
3. Visa category G – Representative of international organization.
4. Visa category H-1 – Temporary worker performing professional nursing services or in a specialty occupation.
5. Visa category H-4 – Only if spouse or child of alien classified H-1.
6. Visa category I – Foreign information media representative.
7. Visa category K – Fiancé, fiancée, or a child of a United States citizen(s).
8. Visa category L – Intracompany transferee (including spouse or child).
9. Visa Category N – Parent or child of alien accorded special immigrant status.
10. Visa Category O-1 – Workers of “extraordinary” ability in the sciences, arts, education, business, or athletics.
11. Visa category O-3 – Only if spouse or child of O-1 alien.
12. Visa category R – Religious workers.
13. Visa category NATO I-7 – Representatives and employees of NATO and their families.
14. Visa category T – Victims of trafficking, who cooperate with federal authorities in prosecutions of traffickers, and their spouses and children.
15. Visa category V – Spouses and children of lawful permanent residents.

If you are unsure if your visa type allows you to study in the United States, please contact the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) (<http://www.uscis.gov/portal/site/uscis>) for information.

**Non F-1 Visa Applicants** do not need to submit financial documents verifying their ability to fund their studies. However, they must provide copies of all immigration documents issued to them related to their immigration status within the U.S., and are still required to check in with International Services Office (<http://global.usf.edu/iss/>) before they will be allowed to register for classes if they are admitted.

Examples of Immigration Documents that should be submitted by **Non F-1 Visa Applicants**:

1. Copy of Passport
2. Copy of I-94 Card
3. Copy of Work Permit issued by the BCIS
4. Copy of Visa