Waive my Interview F, academic J, M, O, P, Q, H-1, H-3, H-4, and non-blanket L

The Department of State has waived the in-person interview requirement through December 31, 2023, for visa applicants in categories F, M, O, P, Q, H-1, H-3, H-4, non-blanket L and academic J qualifying as secondary and university students, professors, research scholars, short-term scholars, or specialists, who were previously issued any class of visa, or traveled on ESTA, subject to certain conditions.

Complete each section of this coversheet. You must qualify in Section 1 and 2 to continue to Section 3. If you do not qualify you must schedule an appointment online.

Section 1

To qualify you must 🗹 YES to <u>ALL</u> criteria:

YES NO

- □ □ I have no refusals for a visa in any category.
- □ □ I have never been denied a visa or the Visa Waiver Program (ESTA).
- □ □ I am not a Chinese or Nigerian national.
- □ □ I am a resident or citizen/national of Australia.

Section 2

To qualify you must also ☑ below.

I am applying for an F, M, O, P, Q, H-1, H-3, H-4, non-blanket L or academic J visa.

You must also 🗹 from either Column A or Column B:

A. Previous U.S. visa holder (of any category)

I have had my ten (10) fingerprints collected in a previous U.S. visa application.

B. Never had a U.S. visa before

I am a citizen or national of a Visa Waiver Program Country and I have previously traveled to the United States on ESTA and have no prior ESTA denials. I can submit a copy of a prior ESTA approval, an I-94, or an entry stamp.

Section 3

You must include/complete items below.

- □ This completed coversheet.
- □ What is your intended travel date? ____DD/MMM/YYYY_
- Application fee receipt: Also referred to as machine-readable visa (MRV) fee.
- □ Valid passport
- □ <u>Form DS-160</u>: Nonimmigrant Visa Application confirmation page.
- Photo: U.S. passport sized photo. If incorrect, your application will be rejected.
- Additional items required based on visa classification. <u>DO NOT submit original documents</u> unless indicated.

F, M or J visa applicants:

- DS-2019
- □ I-20
- □ SEVIS Fee Receipt
- O, P, Q, H, non-blanket L visa applicants:
- I-797
- 🗌 I-129
- Employment Letter

Include any of these items if applicable.

- Old passport: showing your previous U.S. visa, I-94 or U.S. entry stamp, prior ESTA stamp if not in current passport.
- □ <u>Visa issuance (reciprocity) fees</u>: (different from the application MRV fee and SEVIS fee).
 - NOT ACCEPTED CASH, US Dollar checks, Personal or Company checks
 - <u>Acceptable forms of payment:</u> EXACT amount made payable to the "U.S. CONSULATE GENERAL"

Meeting the above conditions does not guarantee a visa, and the Consulate may still require an in-person interview.

Applicant Signature ____

Please now mail the required documents (preferably using an Express Post satchel for tracking purposes) to the appropriate address below. This is the office that will be processing your mail-in application. It is suggested that you take a photo of the tracking number on the satchel for your records.

| Applicants residing in Victoria, South Australia, | Applicants residing in New South Wales, Queensland, Norfolk Island, |
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| Tasmania, and Northern Territory. | Western Australia, and the Australian Capital Territory. |
| U.S. Consulate General | U.S. Consulate General |
| Attn: Waive Visa Interview - [Visas Class] – [Travel Date] | Attn: Waive Visa Interview - [Visas Class] – [Travel Date] |
| Level 6 / 553 St. Kilda Road | Suite 2, 50 Miller Street |
| Melbourne, VIC 3004 | North Sydney, NSW 2060 |