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STUDENT AND EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM

SEVP at a Glance

July 2016

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THE LATEST NEWS

Regulatory Fast Facts

STEM OPT

- **Remember: August 8, 2016**
 - Deadline for students currently on 17-month STEM OPT extension to apply for additional seven months
 - Learn more in the STEM OPT Hub
- **What to know**
 - Lengthens STEM OPT extension from 17 to 24 months
 - Form I-983, “Training Plan for STEM OPT Students”
 - Transition plan
 - DSO reporting requirements

STEM OPT Hub

The screenshot shows the official website of the Department of Homeland Security's STEM OPT Hub. The page is titled "STUDY in the STATES" and features a navigation bar with links for STUDENTS, SCHOOLS, BLOG, TOOLS, and a highlighted STEM OPT HUB. A large image of a student in a lab coat and mask is featured on the right. The main content area includes a "STEM OPT" section with a video tutorial icon, a "Transitioning to 24-month extension" section, and a "May 2016 regulation implementation overview" section. Below these are sections for "TRANSITION PLAN", "TRAINING PLAN", "STUDENTS", "SCHOOLS", "EMPLOYERS", and "MORE RESOURCES". A "QUESTIONS?" section is at the bottom.

Form I-983 video tutorial

Transitioning to 24-month extension

Information for students and employers

May 2016 regulation implementation overview

Form I-983 information

Information for DSOs

Additional resources

QUESTIONS?

For general and case-specific questions, call 703-603-3400 or email SEVP@ice.dhs.gov and include STEM OPT in the subject line. Our offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET, except holidays.

NOTIFICATIONS AND FOLLOW-UP

Form I-515A Termination

- **Notice to students — “Intent to Terminate”**
 - Sent to student, exchange visitor and/or their dependents
 - Recipient has 14 days to take action
 - Failure to comply will result in SEVIS record termination
- **Additional information**
 - Form I-515A Noncompliance Termination Procedure PDF
 - Available at [ICE.gov/SEVP/Travel](https://ice.dhs.gov/SEVP/Travel)

SEVIS Enhancements

- **SEVIS Release 6.27 – July 2016**
 - Form I-20 workflow improvements
 - Ability to mass register continuing students in real time
 - Alerts and student list improvements
 - New travel, visa and passport information page
- **SEVIS Release 6.28 – August 2016**
 - SEVIS Broadcast Message archive

PDSO and DSO Updates

- **What to know**
 - Submit complete petition requests
 - Be mindful of deadlines
 - Submit PDSO and DSO updates alone in SEVIS
- **Future plans for all Form I-17 updates**
 - SEVIS enhancements
 - Policy guidance
- **Resources**
 - Fact sheets, job aids and webinars

Around SEVP



**Remedial Action Plans
for inaccurate student records**



Field representative vacancies



School Certification Unit processing times

DON'T FORGET...

Best Practices

Student Travel

- **Prepare**
 - Bring all necessary travel documents
 - Keep documents safe while traveling
- **Understand**
 - Port-of-entry processes
 - Form I-515A



Reminders

Form I-17 Updates

- **Remember**
 - Review the Form I-17 regularly
 - Submit updates in a timely manner
- **Know**
 - Your school's certification expiration date

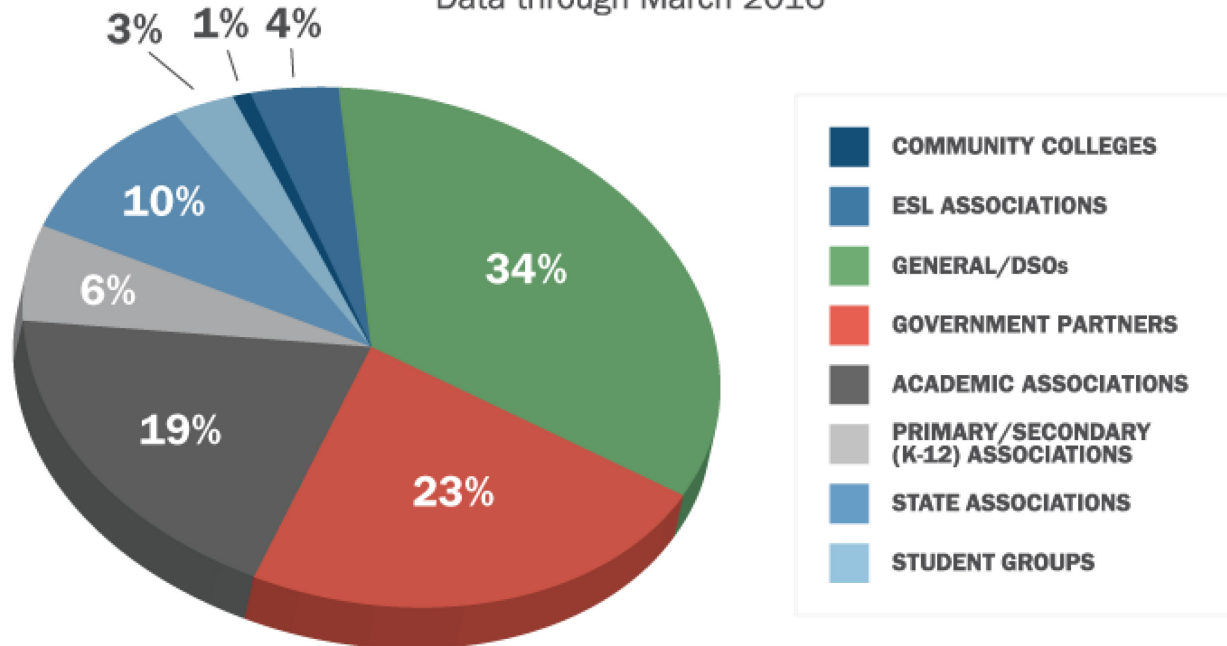


FACTS + FIGURES

Expanding Outreach

Conferences

2015-16 Audience Breakdown
Data through March 2016



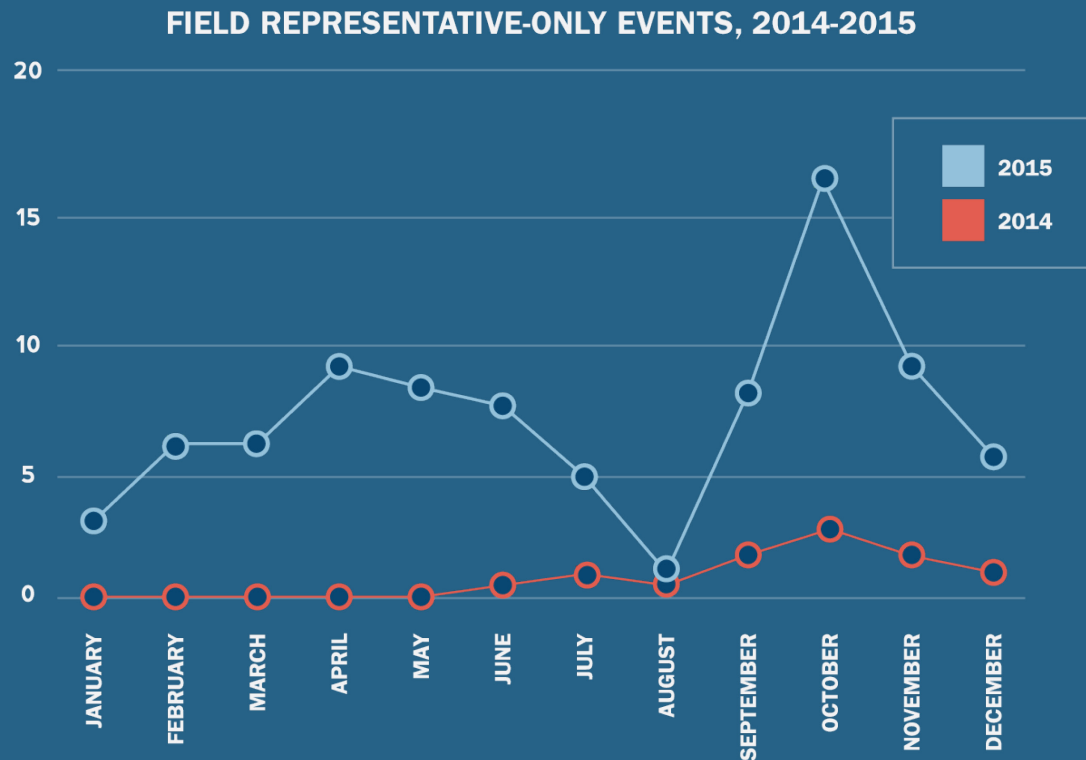
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IN 2015, SEVP SET A NEW RECORD FOR
EVENT ATTENDANCE IN A CALENDAR YEAR,
TAKING PART IN 173 EVENTS.

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Expanding Outreach

SEVP Field Representatives



120+
Events Attended

18,000+
School Visits Conducted

*Statistics calculated since deployment**

HELPFUL RESOURCES

New on Study in the States



Visit the Updated Conferences Page

The screenshot shows the SEVP Conferences page with the following elements:

- Header:** "Official website of the Department of Homeland Security", "Homeland Security", "STUDY in the STATES", "View Disclaimer", "Select Language", and social media links.
- Navigation:** STUDENTS, SCHOOLS, BLOG, TOOLS, and STEM OPT HUB.
- Related Content:** A list of links for students, including "I Want To Study In The States", "Immigration Status", "Transferring", "Traveling", "Employment and Other Benefits", "Resources", and "What is a Commission-Based Recruiter? SEVIS".
- Conferences Section:** Includes social media icons and a description: "The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) engages with stakeholders across the international academic community by attending numerous conferences and outreach events. SEVP staff present on a range of subjects, from program updates to specific topics, and through a variety of methods, including in person, webinar, teleconference or a combination of these approaches."
- 2015-16 Audience Breakdown:** A pie chart showing the distribution of audience groups.

Audience Group	Percentage
GENERAL/DSOs	34%
GOVERNMENT PARTNERS	23%
ACADEMIC ASSOCIATIONS	19%
STUDENT GROUPS	10%
ESL ASSOCIATIONS	6%
COMMUNITY COLLEGES	3%
STATE ASSOCIATIONS	1%
PRIMARY/SECONDARY (K-12) ASSOCIATIONS	4%
- Event Participation Requests:** A section for federal government agencies to request participation in SEVP events.
- Submit Pre-Event Questions:** A section for SEVP to submit questions to event attendees.

Subscribe to the monthly SEVP Conference Bulletin

Submit a request for SEVP or a government partner to participate in your upcoming conference or event

Learn about the audience groups we engage with

Submit questions prior to your event

Engage with SEVP

Stay Connected



KEY NEWS AND CONTENT

StudyintheStates.dhs.gov/Blog

Publications:

SEVP Spotlight

SEVP Conference Bulletin



ENGAGE THROUGH CONFERENCES

Fill out the SEVP Event
Request Form at

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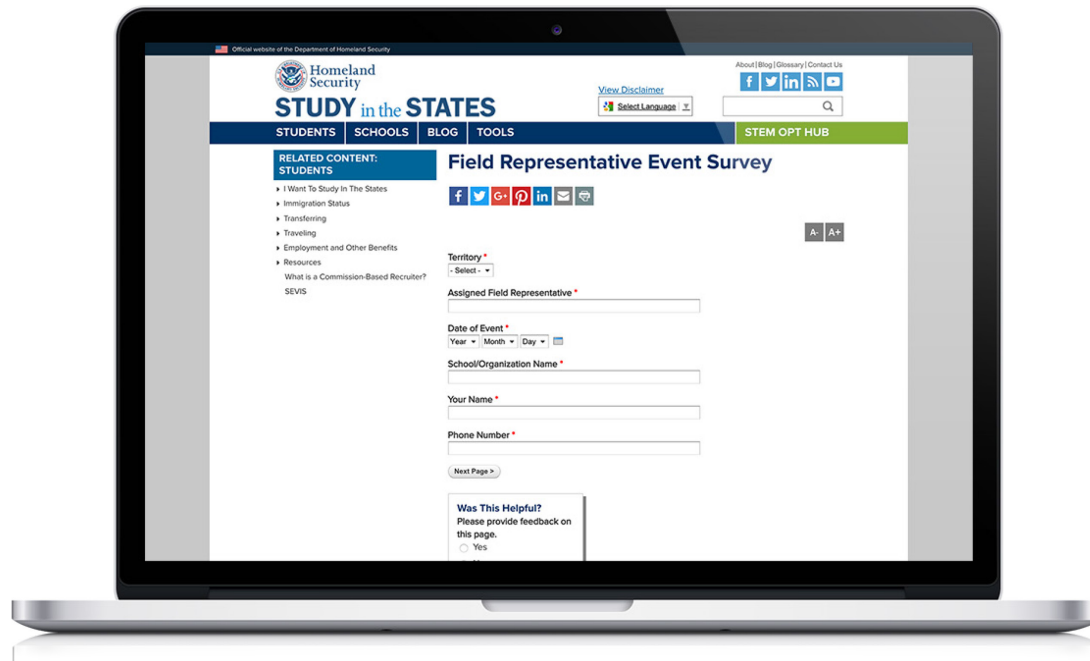
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Linkedin.com/Company/Student-and-Exchange-Visitor-Program

SEVP Values Your Feedback

- Provide feedback on this conference presentation
- Comments improve field representative performance



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SEVP Response Center



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Case-Specific Questions:

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Technical Issues

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for system maintenance and testing

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