For students outside the United States applying for an F-1 student visa

If you are not a U.S. citizen, a U.S. permanent resident or hold other legal status, you need an F-1 student visa to study in the United States. Visas are issued by United States embassies and consulates. You must have Form I-20 A-B issued by Hood College in order to apply for a visa.

The Hood’s Designated School Officer (DSO) will issue Form I-20 A-B after you:

1. Complete and return the Hood College Transfer Application and Undergraduate International Transfer Student Application.
2. Provide the necessary documents of financial support. Examples of documents of financial support are: bank statements, statements from employer(s) regarding salary, copies of scholarships or awards, or Affidavit of Support. Hood must have the original or certified/attested copy of the original of each document of financial support. It is vital that you demonstrate adequate financial support. All information must be in U.S. dollars.
3. Have been accepted at Hood College.

If you are coming from outside the United States

When you receive the SEVIS (Student and Exchange Visitor Information System) I-20 form you will sign Line 11 on Page 1, then take all three pages of Form I-20 to the U.S. Embassy or Consulate nearest you to apply for an F-1 student visa. Since you may need to provide certification of financial support when applying for a student visa we recommend that you obtain duplicate certifications of all financial documents.

When you enter the United States, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) vice officers will stamp the first page of your I-20 and passport. The officer will also write and stamp the I-94 card and place it in your passport. When you arrive at Hood, please take your passport, stamped I-20 form, and I-94 card to the DSO so copies can be made.

If you are already in the United States with an I-20 from another college or university

Please complete and return the visa clearance form which will be sent to you after you have been admitted to the College.

When you receive the SEVIS (Student and Exchange Visitor Information System) I-20 form you will sign Line 11 on Page 1, then take all three pages of Form I-20 along with your previous I-20, passport, and I-94 card with you as you travel. Since you may need to provide certification of financial support when reentering the United States we recommend that you obtain duplicate certifications of all financial documents.

When you enter the United States using the new I-20, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) vice officers will stamp the first page of your I-20 and passport. The officer will also write and stamp a new I-94 card and place it in your passport. When you arrive at Hood, please take your passport, stamped I-20 form, and I-94 card to the DSO so copies can be made.

For students who are already in the United States on another visa type besides F-1.

Please contact the admission office at (301) 696-3400 or international@hood.edu to discuss your individual situation.

Questions and More Information

For answers to your questions or for more information, please contact the appropriate office listed below.

Admission office (301) 696-3400, (800) 922-1599; fax: (301) 696-3819; e-mail: international@hood.edu
Michael J. Deegan, designated school officer (301) 696-3400; e-mail: deegan@hood.edu
Name (as shown on passport) _____________________________________________________________

Current Mailing Address ______________________________________________________________

Phone ___________________________ Fax ___________________________ E-mail ___________________________

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YR) ___________________________ Location of Birth (City, Country) ___________________________

Country of Citizenship ___________________________ Country of Legal Permanent Residence ___________________________

Please check one:  □ Male  □ Female

Relative or Contact Information in the United States

Name _____________________________________________________________

Current Mailing Address _____________________________________________________________

Phone ___________________________ Fax ___________________________ E-mail ___________________________

If you are already in the United States, and do not intend to go abroad before beginning your studies at Hood College, please indicate your current visa status. _________________________________________________________

If your current visa status is F-1, what is your admission number/I-94 number and your SEVIS I-20 number?

(I-94) — — — — — — — — — — (SEVIS I-20) — — — — — — — — — —

Are you currently attending school in the United States?  □ Yes  □ No

If yes, what is the name and location of the school? (Also complete the Hood College visa clearance form)

Name _____________________________________________________________ Location _____________________________________________________________

Proposed Field of Study _____________________________________________________________

Estimated Period of Full-time Enrollment ________________________________________________

Beginning Semester  □ Fall  □ Spring  20 _______  Arrival Date ____________________________
Proof of Proficiency in the English Language
An I-20 cannot be issued until this is complete. Please check one.

☑ English is my native language.

☑ I have graduated from an American college or university and Hood has received my transcript.

☑ I have attended an American college or university and Hood has received my transcript.

☑ I have taken/will take the TOEFL and scores will be/are being sent.

☑ I have been interviewed by ____________________________ at Hood College.

Name
Title

Proof of Financial Ability
An I-20 cannot be issued until this is complete. Please check the items provided.

☑ Declaration of Finances in U.S. dollars

☑ Bank statement including money to be used for education in U.S. dollars

☑ Affidavit of support with attachments in U.S. dollars

☑ Other ____________________________________________________________

Do you plan to come to the United States alone? ☑ Yes ☐ No

If no, who will accompany you? ____________________________________________
(Immediate family members only.)

Family/Last Name First Name Date of Birth Country of Birth Relationship
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Signature
I certify that the information given above is true and correct and that I understand I must be enrolled as a full-time student. I also understand that DHS regulations prohibit me from working off campus while I am in F-1 status.

Signature of Applicant ___________________________ Date __________________________

To be completed by Hood College Officials
I have received and evaluated the above-named student’s academic records, including English ability, and approved his/her admission to Hood College.

Hood College Official Signature ___________________________
**Declaration of Finances**

Please indicate source of support for each year of study and indicate amount in U.S. dollars.

You are required to certify that you will have adequate financial support for the entire period of your program of study at Hood College. A Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20-A-B) for obtaining a visa cannot be issued until you have completed this section and returned it with all official certifications. Please be sure to keep copies of all documents submitted, including this certificate, as you may need this information when you apply to the United States Consul for your visa or to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for permission to transfer to another school.

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Please be certain that all official certifications requested are enclosed with this form. If they are to follow, please indicate. An I-20-A-B cannot be issued until all requirements are met.

**Signature**

By signing this form, I certify that the information above is a correct statement of my arrangements for financing my studies at Hood College. I understand that any changes in my financial situation must be reported to Hood College immediately.

Signature ____________________________ Date ____________

Please print your name ____________________________

Hood College ● 401 Rosemont Avenue ● Frederick, MD 21701-8575 ● Tel. (301) 696-3600 ● www.hood.edu/graduate
Affidavit of Support

I hereby certify that I am able, willing, and do promise to provide my ______________________________, Student's relation to you ______________________________, with the amount of U.S. $ __________________, for one year of study at Hood College. Evidence of my financial resources accompanies this affidavit.

Signature _______________________________ Date _______________________________

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ______________________________ day of ______________________________ Month ______________________________ Year ______________________________

Please print name ______________________________

Address ______________________________

________________________________________

Signature of Notary Public or Legal Official (seal) ______________________________