

Broadcast Message: SEVIS NOTICE – SEVIS Release 6.41 Details

To: All SEVIS Users

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Re: SEVIS Release 6.41 Details

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General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will upgrade the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) to Release 6.41 on Oct. 26, 2018.

Release Functionality

The release will change how SEVIS calculates the days of unemployment a student accrues while on post-completion and science, technology, engineering and mathematics optional practical training.

After Oct. 26, 2018, SEVIS will calculate the total number of unemployment days, as required in regulation. SEVIS will check the record daily and count every day there is a gap in employment. The unemployment counter is displayed in the expanded view of the SEVIS Employment Information page.

Be advised that while SEVP is assessing the SEVIS auto-terminate function it will not be turned on for students who go over the unemployment limits set by regulation. Once evaluation of the function is complete SEVP will fully engage the auto-terminate action. SEVP will communicate the implementation of the auto-terminate action to stakeholders at that time.

For more information about release functionality and available resources visit the [SEVIS Release 6.41 Planning Guide](#) on the SEVIS Help Hub.

Outage Details

SEVIS will experience an outage and will be unavailable on Friday, Oct. 26, 2018 from 8:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. EDT.

Currently, SEVP expects the outage to last approximately four hours and will not send a follow-up email regarding system availability.

FOR BATCH USERS ONLY:

SEVIS Batch file processing will be unavailable until the scheduled upgrade is complete. Please refrain from uploading files during the outage. Files uploaded during the outage will generate an error and users will have to reupload those files once the system is available.

Comments

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