

**Broadcast Message:** SEVIS NOTICE — SEVP Portal Release 1.7 Details

**To:** DSOs and PDSOs at SEVP-certified schools

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**Re:** SEVIS NOTICE — SEVP Portal Release 1.7 Details

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**General Information**

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will upgrade the SEVP Portal to Release 1.7 on April 5, 2019. The release will not require a system outage.

**Release Functionality**

Portal Release 1.7 will address system errors within the SEVP Portal. The release will adjust the SEVP Portal to:

1. Send email reporting reminders to only science, technology engineering and math (STEM) optional practical training (OPT) students participating in an active STEM OPT period.
2. Send email reporting reminders to students whose STEM OPT applications are in “Requested” or “Pending” status in SEVIS during the first 180 days of their STEM employment authorization period.
3. Stop sending duplicate emails.
4. Provide an announcement on the login page to advise users when the portal is temporarily unavailable.
5. Address issues with users’ history being unavailable.
6. Stop sending email reporting reminders if the due date for the student’s report will be later than the end date of the authorization.

As a reminder, STEM OPT students can find their reporting and self-evaluation deadlines on the Profile page of the SEVP Portal as a result of [SEVP Portal Release 1.5](#). Visit the [SEVP Portal Help section](#) and the [SEVP Portal Email Notices to Students](#) page on Study in the States for additional resources.

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