

Broadcast Message: SEVP Portal Release 6.1

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General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will deploy SEVP Portal Release 6.1 on Friday, May 24, 2024.

This release will fix the following known issues:

- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) reporting and validation dates will appear in student Portal records.
- Students will receive one correct Portal Closure email.
- Portal accounts will become “Read Only” 16 days after the student’s optional practical training (OPT) and/or STEM extension ends.
- Portal Reset Account link on the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) *Student Information* page will function correctly.
- SEVIS to Portal and Portal to SEVIS transmissions will send correct information and update both SEVIS and Portal event histories accurately.
- When a student’s new period of post-completion OPT begins, the Portal will send an account creation email to the student.

For more information on SEVP Portal Release 6.1, see the [SEVP Portal Release 6.1 Planning Guide](#) at [SEVP Portal Help](#), on the [SEVP Portal Enhancements](#) page.

The SEVP Portal will be unavailable from Friday, May 24, 2024, at 8 p.m. EDT to Saturday, May 25, 2024, at 12 a.m. EDT. SEVP will not send a follow-up email regarding Portal availability.

During this time:

- SEVIS will store newly entered information and send it to the Portal once it is back online.
- Students will not be able to log into the SEVP Portal during the outage.

For questions about this release, please contact the SEVP Response Center at 703-603-3400 or 800-892-4829, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EDT, except federal holidays.

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