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Student and Exchange Visitor Program

December 20, 2002



Terminology

- SEVP is the reengineered student and exchange visitor program
 - Student and Exchange Visitor Program
- SEVIS is the Internet-based automated system
 - Student and Exchange Visitor Information System
- CIPRIS was the pilot program
 - Coordinated Interagency Partnership Regulating International Students





SEVIS Basics

- Who needs to use it?
 - Institutions accepting F, M, or J visa holders
- Why?
 - SEVIS is a federal mandate





SEVIS Objectives

- Electronically capture, maintain, and monitor information relevant to students and exchange visitors
- Electronically facilitate compliance with regulations
- Reduce data entry errors
- Expedite data transfer
- Minimize fraud
- Provide information/ data sharing



SEVP History





SEVP History

1993

1996

- World Trade Center bombing; student convicted
- IIRIRA enacted
(Pub. L. 104-208, as amended by Pub. L. 106-396)





Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRIRA) §641

- Consult with Dept. of State (DoS) and Dept. of Education to establish a process for institutions to report on international students and exchange visitors
- Establish electronic reporting
- Self-fund the program
- Collect, maintain, and monitor current information





SEVP History

1996

1997

2000

2001

- CIPRIS pilot project begins
- SEVP development begins
- SEVIS vendor conferences begin





SEVP History

1996

1997

2000

2001

Sep. 2001

Nov. 2001

- Terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon
- USA PATRIOT Act enacted
(Pub. L. 107-56)





USA PATRIOT Act

- Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act
- Domestic security
- Money laundering
- Protect the border
- Investigate terrorism
- Expand foreign student monitoring





SEVP History

Sept. 2001

Nov. 2001

Dec. 2001

May. 2002

- SEVIS test release available
- Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act of 2001
(Pub. L. 107-173)



Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act of 2001 §501



- Strengthen the U.S. border
- Increase the anti-terrorism training for INS personnel
- Increase information sharing
 - Law enforcement agencies
 - Intelligence agencies
 - Consular officers
 - INS officials





SEVP History

Sept. 2001

Nov. 2001

Dec. 2001

May. 2002

July 2002

Fall 2002

Jan. 30,
2003

- SEVIS available (Real-Time Interactive)
- Batch processing available
- Full functionality and full compliance



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Data Required by Regulation



INS regulations 8 CFR 214.3(g)

- Name, place, and date of birth
- Country of citizenship and address
- Student status (full time vs. part time)
- Degree program (start/end date)
- Practical training (start/end date)
- Number of credits completed per year





DoS regulations 22 CFR 62

- Name, place, and date of birth
- Position in home country
- US address (site of activity)
- Description of visitor program
- Period of program duration
- Category of exchange visitor
- Source of financial support





IIRIRA § 641

- Identity and current U.S. address of nonimmigrant
- Visa classification, date of visa issuance or classification granted
- Current academic or program status of nonimmigrant (i.e. in compliance, full-time, part-time)
- Academic disciplinary actions taken against a nonimmigrant due to criminal conviction





USA PATRIOT ACT §416

- Entry/exit information
- School registration or validation of program participation and notification of failure to report
- School name, code, and approval date or sponsor name, program number, and designation date
- Official contact for student at the institution
- Student budget



Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act of 2001 §501



- Date of nonimmigrant enrollment or program participation
- Degree program and field of study
- Date of nonimmigrant termination of enrollment or program participation and reason
- Report any failure of nonimmigrant to enroll not later than 30 days after registration or program start date deadline



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SEVIS Capabilities



Benefits of SEVIS

- Replaces number of pages required per form
- Creates and reprints forms on laser printer at institution
- Reduces amount of data entry and re-entry
- Schools and sponsors no longer required to mail hard copies of forms





Features of SEVIS

- SEVIS will generate unique ID number for each participant
- Dependents will have separate and unique ID number linked to principal
- Sponsor numbers and school file numbers will contain an extra digit to allow for expansion
 - J Example: Current is P-1-1234, new number will be P-1-01234
 - F/M Example: Current is LOS214F5678.000, new number will be LOS214F05678.000





Changes for Institutions

- Additional legislative reporting requirements incorporated
 - Validating that a student or exchange visitor has begun program within 30 days of start date
 - Reporting a change of U.S. address
 - Identifying if student or exchange visitor has completed program or been terminated
 - Identifying changes in names, addresses, and dependents





SEVIS User Roles

- PDSO – Principal Designated School Official
 - Create, update, save, submit, and print I-17, I-20 information and assign officials
- DSO – Designated School Official
 - Create, update, save, submit, and print I-17 and I-20 information
- INS - Headquarters and District Office personnel





Proposed SEVIS User Roles

- Responsible Officer / Alternate Responsible Officer (RO/ARO)
 - Create, update, save, submit, print
 - DS-2019 (formerly Form IAP-66)
 - DS-3036 (formerly Form IAP-37)
 - DS-3037 (formerly Form IAP-87)





Proposed SEVIS User Roles

- Department of State (Exchange Visitor Program)
 - Review requests for designation, reinstatement, change of category, and extension beyond maximum duration of participation within the Exchange Visitor Program regulations (22 CFR 62)





SEVIS Initial Release

- Institutions accepting F and M visa holders
 - Collect data required by 8 CFR 214.3 (g)
 - Certify and update school information
 - I-17
 - Create, update, and print student record
 - I-20





SEVIS Initial Release

- Generate status alerts such as:
 - Saved Record(s) Marked Complete
 - Students within 45 days of program end date
- Produce reports such as:
 - Detailed Student Report - Initial and Active Status
 - Detailed Dependent Report - Active Status



SEVIS Release for Program Sponsors



- Institutions sponsoring J visa participants
 - Apply for designation, amendment and/or re-designation of exchange visitor program
 - DS-3036
 - Create, update, and print exchange visitor records
 - DS-2019



SEVIS Release for Program Sponsors



- Advise the Department of a change in name of the program sponsor; update information on the program sponsor (e.g., address, telephone and fax numbers); add and/or delete RO and/or ARO; request forms and brochures; and, notify the Department that a program is being canceled by the program sponsor
 - DS-3037



SEVIS Release for Program Sponsors



- Produce reports such as:
 - Annual Report - J1 Exchange Visitor Program U.S. Department of State
 - Created on-line
 - Category fields identified and populated automatically
 - Secondary Student Placement Report
 - Used to report final host family and school placements
 - Placement dates are August 31 and January 15



SEVIS Release for Program Sponsors



- Generate status alerts such as:
 - Exchange Visitor(s) Nearing the Program End Date in 60 Days or Less
 - Will reduce number of reinstatement requests
 - Child Dependent(s) Nearing Their 21st Birthday in 90 Days or Less
 - Provides time to request another visa type or prepare to return home
 - All but 20% of DS-2019 form allotment has been depleted
 - Ensures sufficient time to request re-supply



Changes within the Exchange Visitor Program



- Student category broken down to develop trends
- Provides for breakdown of participants in trainee category by specialty and non-specialty
- Department's 4-digit subject/field codes will be replaced by Department of Education's CIP-2000 codes
- Incorporates additional legislative reporting requirements





F and M Enrollment

- Schools to use SEVIS I-17 to enroll in SEVIS
- Pre-enrollment began July 1, 2002
- Mandatory enrollment required by January 30, 2003
- All schools will be investigated
- Payment of fees are made electronically through PAY.GOV





SEVIS Technical Overview



SEVIS Security

- System utilizes strong user identification, authentication and encryption
- User's profile will determine viewable data
- Architecture provides a seamless approach to data and information sharing over a broad range of systems within INS and across agency boundaries





Real-Time Interactive Vs. Batch

Real-Time Interactive

**Direct entry into
SEVIS by the
user in real-time**

Person-to-System

Batch Process

**Uploading data to
SEVIS by the
application or vendor
software**

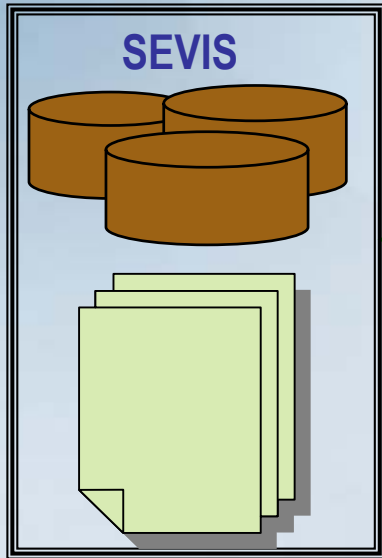
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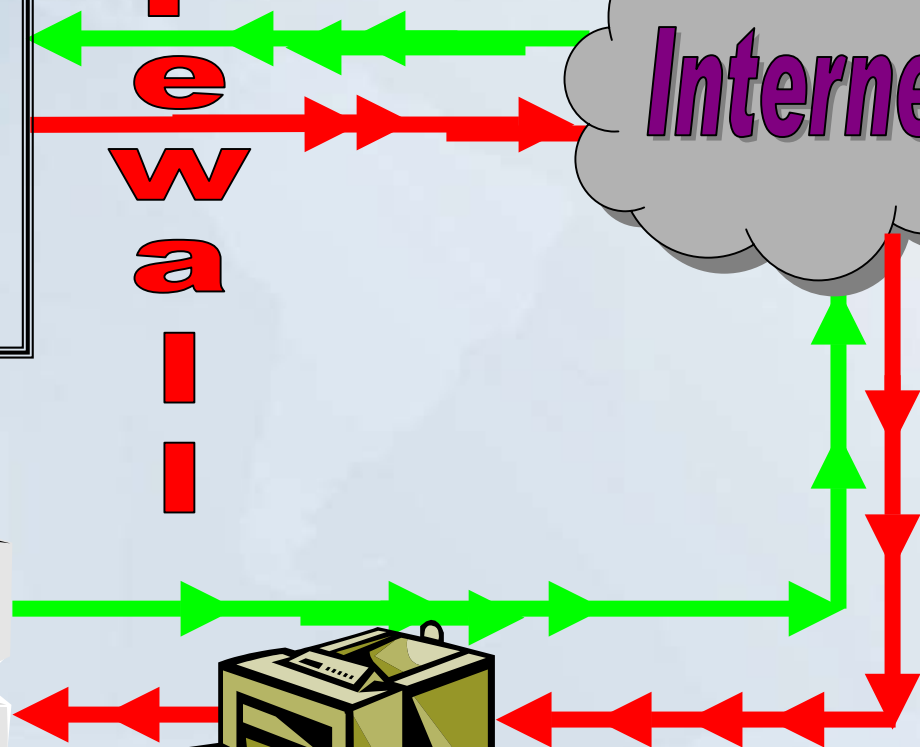
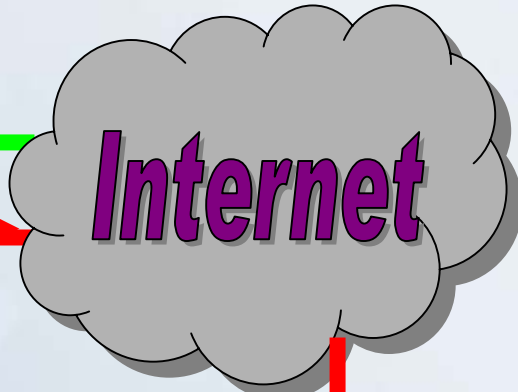


SEVIS Real-Time Interactive

The green arrows illustrate data being sent to SEVIS.
The red arrows illustrates processed data being returned from SEVIS.



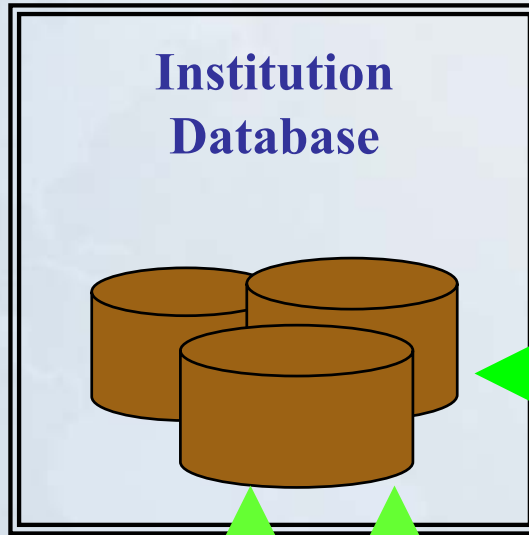
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SEVIS Batch File Processing

Using the Batch method
requires a
Legacy system
or
Third Party Software



Financial Aid



**International
Student Office**



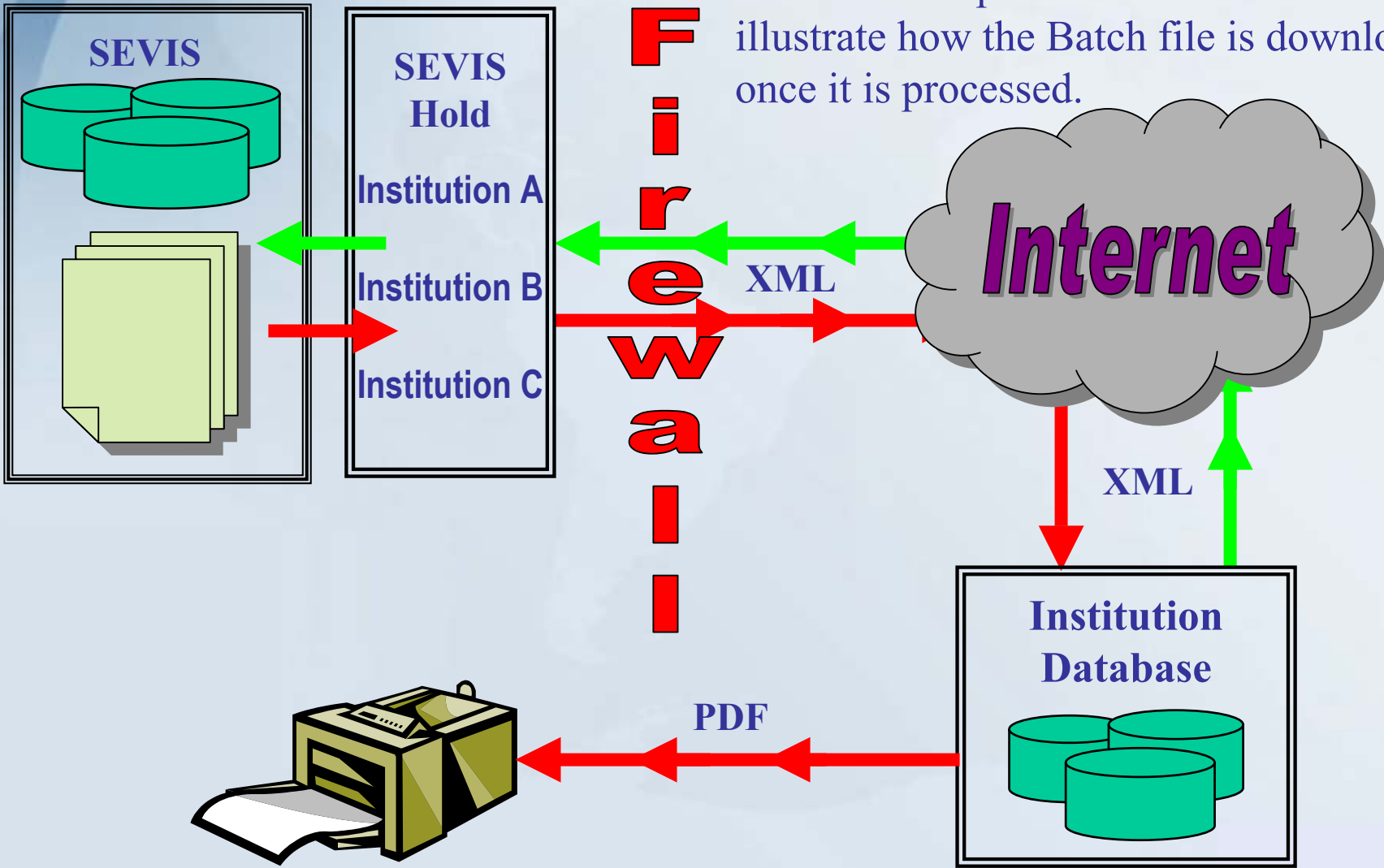
**Admissions and
Registrars Office**





SEVIS Batch File Processing

The green arrows illustrate how a Batch file is uploaded while the red arrows illustrate how the Batch file is downloaded once it is processed.



Technical Requirements (Real-Time Interactive)



- Internet access
- Internet Explorer 5.0 or higher
or Netscape 4.7 or higher
- 800x600 pixels
- Adobe Acrobat Reader 5.0 or higher
- Laser quality printer (600 dpi)



Technical Requirements (Batch)



- Internet access
- Digital certificate from VeriSign
- Software capable of creating an XML file containing student or exchange visitor information
- Laser quality printer (600 dpi)



SEVIS Real-Time Interactive Preparations



- Connect to SEVIS
 - <https://egov.ins.usdoj.gov/sevis/>
- Select Register for New Account
- Provide Name, Address, e-mail Address, Telephone Number, and Name of Institution and submit request
- Receive login ID and SEVIS link via e-mail





SEVIS Batch Preparations

- Provide vendor or IT department with technical specifications
 - <http://www.ins.usdoj.gov>
- Obtain required Digital Certificate
- Coordinate with the SEVIS Help Desk to conduct test of Batch application
- After successfully testing, notify the SEVIS Help Desk and register as a Batch user through SEVIS Real-Time Interactive



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SEVIS User Support



INS Web Site

Temporary Benefits CIPRIS - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help



Address <http://www.ins.usdoj.gov/graphics/services/tempbenefits/sevp.htm>

Immigration and Naturalization Service



TEXT ONLY HOME WHAT'S NEW FAQs SEARCH GLOSSARY FEEDBACK TRANSLATE PRINTPAGE

Immigration Services and Benefits

- Overview
- Emergency Travel
- Naturalization
- Citizenship
- Lawful Permanent Residency
- Temporary Visitors
 - Business or Pleasure Visitors
 - Temporary Workers
 - Students
 - Exchange Visitors
- Employer Information
- Inter-Country Adoptions
- Temporary Protected Status
- Asylum
- Refugees
- Humanitarian Parole
- SAVE (Verification Program)

SEVP Student and Exchange Visitor Program

(formerly CIPRIS)

Welcome to the Immigration and Naturalization Service's (INS) web page on the innovative initiative for foreign students and exchange visitors, known as SEVP (Student and Exchange Visitor Program). We appreciate your interest in this initiative. Bookmark this site, and keep coming back to check on the latest SEVP developments!

SEVP has an Internet-based system named the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS), which provides tracking, monitoring, and access to accurate and current information on non-immigrant students (F and M visa) and exchange visitors (J visa). SEVIS enables schools and program sponsors to transmit electronic information and event notifications via the Internet to the INS and the Department of State throughout a student or exchange visitor's stay in the United States. SEVIS allows printing of the appropriate forms and also provides reminders, alerts, and basic reporting capabilities.

In an age where information is key, SEVIS is a source of timely and accurate information for educational institutions and government agencies which are tasked with assisting and overseeing the many international visitors who have chosen to pursue an education in this country. The Student and Exchange Visitors Program is directed by the INS in partnership with the [Department of State](#) and the [Department of Education](#).

[SEVP and SEVIS Orientation](#)

Presentation on how SEVP and SEVIS work

[Pending SEVIS Fee Collection Rule Withdrawn from OMB](#)

<http://www.ins.usdoj.gov/graphics/services/tempbenefits/sevp.htm>

SEVIS Smart

Internet



User Manuals

- Temporary Users
- Designated School Officials
- Responsible Officers
- INS Officers





Helpdesk

- The SEVIS Helpdesk provides ongoing application support

1-800-892-4829

- The INS National Customer Service Center provides information on INS benefits and services

1-800-375-5283

- INS District Offices provide local resources to support institutions





On-Line SEVIS Help

The screenshot displays two overlapping browser windows. The background window is titled "SEVIS Certification Page 1" and shows a form with the following sections:

- 1. * Approval for attendance**
 - Section 101(a)(15)(f)
 - Section 101(a)(15)(m)
- 2. * Name of School System:**
- 2a. * Name of Main Campus:**
- 3. Mailing Address of the School:**
 - * Address 1:
 - Address 2:
 - * City:
 - * State:
 - * Zip Code:
 - Fax Number: ()
 - Phone Number: () - ext.
- 4. Location of the School (if different from mailing address):**
 - Address 1:
 - Address 2:

The foreground window is titled "INS_Temp_User_Project - Microsoft Internet Explorer" and shows the help page for the "INS_Temp_User_P" project. The page features a navigation bar with "Help | Tutorial | Logout" and a "Contents" sidebar with the following items:

- General Topics
 - Help on Help
 - SEVIS Overview, Bar
 - Login Process
 - User ID Information
 - Password Information
 - Create a New Tempo
 - Help Desk Information
 - Frequently-Asked Qs
- School Certification
- Definitions and Descri
- Regulations

The main content area displays the title "STUDENT & EXCHANGE VISITOR INFORMATION SYSTEM" with an illustration of students. Below the title, it says "How to use SEVIS Help" and "Help is always available by clicking Help on the [navigation bar](#) at the top of the screen. Then:"



On-Line SEVIS System Demo

SEVIS Certification Page 1 -

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Back Forward Stop

Address <https://sevis-test-webs/>

SEVIS Certification

[Help](#) | [Tutorial](#) | [Logout](#)

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Address 1:

Address 2:


certification - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Back Forward Stop Refresh Home Search Favorites Media History Mail


Address <https://sevis-test-webs/sevis/help/tutorial/demo/tempuser/certification.html> Go Links

**STUDENT & EXCHANGE VISITOR
INFORMATION
SYSTEM**



SEVIS Demo

You may view the demo at any time from any SEVIS screen. Click the Next button to advance from screen to screen within the demo.

To quit and exit the demo at any time, click the close button  in the upper-right corner of the screen.

[Next](#)

Done Local intranet