



Renewing your F-1/J-1 Visa in a Country Other than your Home Country

Applying for a visa in a country other than your home country (or 'third country') is typically more difficult and is not advised unless it is the only option (i.e. no embassy in your home country, embassy in home country closed). You may need to prove that you have continuously maintained lawful immigration status during your time in the U.S. or be sent back to your home country to apply for the visa. Since refusal in a third country is more likely than in the home country, students should plan well in advance of their date of travel. Please make sure to carefully read Form DS-160 (of SEVIS) and DS-2019 and you choose to renew your visa

s with ALL visa petitions, the Office of International Affairs (OIA) at Louisiana State University. For more information, please contact the OIA at (504) 388-2222 or visit our website at oia.lsu.edu.

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