

## OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES

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## TRAVELING WITH AN EXPIRED VISA

TO:

FROM: Marshall University Office of International Student Services

RE: Visa Application

According to our records, your current student visa has expired. Unless you are traveling to Canada, Mexico, or other contiguous territories for less than 30 days, you will need to get a new visa stamp to re-enter the U.S. You will need to stop at the American Embassy/ Consulate nearest to where you are going. You will need to bring the following items with you:

- Current Form I-20 or DS-2019 endorsed for travel (carry all I-20's or DS-2019's you have ever been issued)
- Valid passport (unless passport exempt)
- Proof of financial support as listed on the form I-20 or DS-2019
- Evidence of intent to return home following completion of study (such as employment letters, property ownership, immediate family, etc.)
- Copy of your Marshall University admissions letter and any transcripts you may have
- Students on Optional Practical Training should bring their Employment Authorization Document (EAD) and proof of employment.

Visa processing times and procedures do vary by country. For example, some Embassies/ Consulates may want to see a recent transcript, and others won't. Some Embassies/ Consulates require a personal interview, and others don't. It is therefore recommended that you have a friend or relative call the U.S. Embassy/ Consulate in your home country to find out processing times and procedures. Or you may want to call the visa processing office at the Department of State at 202-663-1522 for more information or use their website at <a href="http://travel.state.gov/link.html">http://travel.state.gov/link.html</a>.

Upon your return you are required to report to the Office of International Student Services immediately with your new visa. We have to maintain a copy of it in your student file.

Thank you for your cooperation and have a safe trip.