Transfer Instructions for School Officials

The International Services Office at Clemson University no longer requires a transfer-in form to be completed by a P/DSO or A/RO at the transfer-out school. It is Clemson’s policy that we only accept active students’ SEVIS records, who have continually maintained F/J status and are eligible for a SEVIS transfer. If the student is out of status and will require reinstatement, please contact us at is@clemson.edu or 864-656-3614 before transferring the record. Clemson’s academic calendars can be found here to confirm upcoming term start-dates.

F-1 SEVIS School Code
ATL214F01380000
Clemson University

J-1 Program Number:
P-1-02839
Transfer Guidance for Students

Please submit a copy of your official Clemson admission letter and the “Transfer Instructions For School Official” page to your current international student advisor and request your SEVIS transfer.

It is our request that your record be released, and that you complete the Request Certificate of Eligibility e-forms in the iStart portal no later than one week prior to the start of classes in your expected start term.

Frequently Asked Questions

When must I start classes at Clemson?
You must start attending classes at Clemson within five months of your last day of school at the previous school or the next available session, whichever comes sooner. If you are to travel internationally between programs, please communicate with our office regarding the details as you will need an I-20 from our office prior to returning to the U.S.

Am I required to report to the International Services at Clemson?
Yes. While you are not required to report to our office in-person, you must enroll full-time and complete SEVIS Check-In in the iStart portal within 15 days of the program start date.

How does international travel plan impact my transfer?
If you will return the U.S. after your record is released, you must hold a physical copy of new Certificate of Eligibility form issued by Clemson at the time of re-entry into the U.S. It is important that you communicate your travel plans with international student advisors at both your previous school and Clemson so that an appropriate “transfer out” date and new Certificate of Eligibility form issuance can be coordinated to facilitate your travel.

Can I use my current visa even though I am changing schools?
If you have followed the proper transfer procedures, you can use your current, unexpired F-1 visa to reenter the U.S. even though it has your previous school’s name printed on it. If your F-1 visa expires, you must apply for a new F-1 visa if you travel internationally. Please note that J-1 students must apply for a new J-1 visa if traveling internationally as the institution name listed on the visa must match the institution name listed on the DS-2019. If a J-1 student does not travel internationally, a new visa is not required.

When am I allowed to work on-campus at Clemson?
You may begin on-campus employment after your SEVIS record is released to Clemson. You are also expected to work with the International Employment Office in HR to complete the hire paperwork.