

How Does the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) Guidance (published on July 24) affect the University of New Haven for Fall 2020 Semester?

The University of New Haven will be operating in a hybrid format that meets all SEVP guidelines. Therefore, international students studying at the University of New Haven are safe.

For further clarification about what this means for you and your studies please see the **Frequently Asked Questions** below:

1. As an F-1 student, how many in-person vs online classes do I need to take in Fall 2020 semester?

As long as international students take at least 3 credits in-person, they will meet the SEVP guidelines. This applies to both new and continuing international students. All of the following course formats count as in-person: traditional on-ground, flex, hybrid, laboratory or clinical, and independent study by arrangement in which the student must meet with the professor in-person.

2. What if there is another outbreak of the coronavirus and courses transition to completely online/remote learning during the Fall 2020 semester?

If, due to an unexpected surge in the COVID-19 virus, the University would have to pivot back to a fully online format, all international students will remain in status and may continue to study online. The July 24 guidance assures this possibility.

3. Is it possible to study online/remotely if I am not in the U.S.?

International students who are not physically in the U.S. may study an entirely online course of study from outside the U.S. This is still an option for continuing students who are unable to travel back to the U.S. or new students who find it difficult to get visa interviews or to travel due to conditions in their country.

International students who are planning to pursue online/remote coursework during the Fall 2020 semester should consult with their academic adviser regarding the courses they should take.