

## 7: Closing

# and Welcome to Auburn



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## 7.1: Closing Remarks

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Following 9/11 and other recent events around the world many governments including the US government made dramatic changes in the way they handle and review visas, immigration processing and immigration benefits. On September 1, 2004, the US DHS implemented a new SEVIS fee and other changes or more specifically enhancements of US immigration policies are possible, therefore be proactive and CHECK WITH OIE FOR ONGOING UPDATES. In this document we have tried to provide you with an overview of the various topics you will be faced with in the years you are at Auburn. The most important message you should get from this is that you need to consult with the Office of International Education and International Student Life whenever you have a problem of any kind or whenever you notice a friend having a problem. We are here to help you and make your endeavors as successful and positive as possible. To this end we ask all of our “clients” to help us by offering feedback and suggestions through our various forms and mechanisms of communications without your feedback we can’t hear you or address your questions and problems!

WAR EAGLE and best wishes in your endeavors in the months and years to come.

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## 7.2: Appendix on the Web

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**Please go to the AU OIE web page for the following key information:**

**AU International home page**

<http://www.auburn.edu/academic/international/oie/>

**AU OIE forms page**

<http://www.auburn.edu/academic/international/forms/issformsframe.htm>

**US Department of Homeland Security Immigration page**

<http://uscis.gov/graphics/index.htm>

**AU International Student and Scholar Health Insurance home page**

<http://www.auburn.edu/academic/international/insurance/>

**Remember THINK AHEAD!! – EVERYTHING MUST BE DONE WELL  
BEFORE YOUR DOCUMENTS EXPIRE OR PROGRAM ENDS –**

Please complete the following page and return it to OIE 201 Hargis Hall

**Please read this handbook in its entirety. If you have dependents who are here in the US with you make sure you discuss the contents of this handbook with them. Upon reading this handbook and (if accompanied by dependents) discussing the contents with your dependents please print this page and return it to the Office of International Education, 201 Hargis Hall no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> class day of each semester. This document is available to be filled in online at <http://www.auburn.edu/academic/international/forms/issformsframe.htm>**

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Orientation Handbook 2008-2009  
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I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of non-immigrant), am an  F-1/J-1 student /  J-1 scholar (research, short term, professor) (SEVIS ID Number \_\_\_\_\_) at Auburn University. By my signature below acknowledge that I have read or had read to me this handbook and understand the information, regulations and procedures contained herein. I also agree that I have explained/read the contents of this handbook to my dependents as identified below.

	Email address:
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Signature of F-1/J-1	Date
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Please complete the following regarding dependents (mark the appropriate boxes)

I have no dependents with me in the US

I have dependents but they are  not in the US,  at another university in the US

I have the following dependents with me:

Name of dependent	Relationship	Immigration Status	SEVIS ID number
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child	<input type="checkbox"/> F1 <input type="checkbox"/> F2 <input type="checkbox"/> J1 <input type="checkbox"/> J2 <input type="checkbox"/> US citizen	<input type="checkbox"/> none •
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child	<input type="checkbox"/> F1 <input type="checkbox"/> F2 <input type="checkbox"/> J1 <input type="checkbox"/> J2 <input type="checkbox"/> US citizen	<input type="checkbox"/> none •
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child	<input type="checkbox"/> F1 <input type="checkbox"/> F2 <input type="checkbox"/> J1 <input type="checkbox"/> J2 <input type="checkbox"/> US citizen	<input type="checkbox"/> none •
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child	<input type="checkbox"/> F1 <input type="checkbox"/> F2 <input type="checkbox"/> J1 <input type="checkbox"/> J2 <input type="checkbox"/> US citizen	<input type="checkbox"/> none •

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