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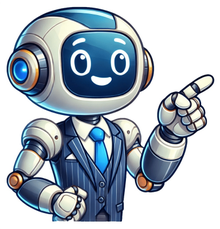

Important Notice: Take care to answer all questions on the DS-160 accurately and completely; otherwise, you may have to correct your application and reschedule your visa interview appointment. Electronically submitting your DS-160 online application is only the first step in the visa application process. Once you have electronically submitted your DS-160 online application, you must contact the embassy or consulate at which you wish to apply to confirm whether you need to be interviewed by a consular officer, and to schedule an interview. You can find a list of U.S. embassies and consulates here, with links to their websites where you can find information about scheduling a visa interview appointment. If the embassy or consulate at which you apply informs that you must have a visa interview, the visa application process cannot be completed until you appear for an interview with a consular officer. Visit: Consular Electronic Application Center website to access the DS-160. Use only Internet Explorer 11 or higher, Firefox, or Google Chrome 58 when completing your appplication. Safari and Microsoft Edge are not supported. You should have the following documents available while you complete your DS-160: Passport Travel itinerary, if you have already made travel arrangements. Dates of your last five visits or trips to the United States, if you have previously travelled to the United States. You may also be asked for your international travel history for the past five years. Résumé or Curriculum Vitae - You may be required to provide information about your current and previous education and work history. Other Information - Some applicants, depending on the intended purpose of travel, will be asked to provide additional information when completing the DS-160. Some applicants will need to have additional information and documents handy while completing the DS-160: Students and Exchange Visitors (F, J, and M): You will be asked to provide your SEVIS ID, which is printed on your I-20 or DS-2019, so you should have this form available when completing your DS-160. You also will be asked to provide the address of the school/program at which you intend to study. This information should also be on your I-20 or DS-2019 form. Petition-based Temporary Workers (H-1B, H-2, H-3, CW1, L, O, P, R, E2C): You should have a copy of your I-129 available when completing your DS-160. Other Temporary Workers: You will be asked for information about your employer, including the employer's address, while completing your DS-160. No. All answers must be in English, using English characters only, except when you are asked to provide your full name in your native alphabet. Applications submitted in any language other than English will be denied, and you may be required to submit a new application. While you must answer all questions in English, translations of questions are available in many languages from the drop-down menu in the right upper corner of the application. These translations should assist you in completing the form in English. Most questions are mandatory and must be answered in the spaces provided. You may leave spaces blank when the questions are marked "optional." You may answer a question with "Does Not Apply," when that question does not apply to you; however, all other questions must be answered. The system will not allow you to submit an application with any mandatory questions left unanswered. If you do not complete a mandatory question, the system will display an error message and require you to answer the question before continuing with the application. If you do not answer questions that apply to your circumstances and/or purpose of travel, the system will not accept your application. No. The online DS-160 application replaced the DS-156, DS-157, DS-158, and DS-3032, which are no longer necessary. NOTE: In addition to the DS-160, Treaty Trader/Treaty Investor visa applicants also must complete an additional form (see the Treaty Trader/Treaty Investor, E Visa Applicants section below for more information). The Embassy or Consulate at which you actually apply should be able to access your form using the barcode on your DS-160 confirmation page, which you must bring to the visa interview. For example, a business traveler intends to apply for his visa at the U.S. Embassy in City X, so he selects City X as the location where he will submit his application when he completes his DS-160. He then has an urgent reason to travel to City Y on business. Because there is a U.S. Consulate in City Y, he schedules an appointment for a visa interview there, using the barcode from his completed DS-160 application for appointment scheduling. The U.S. Consulate in City Y is able to accept his DS-160 even though it lists the U.S. Embassy in City X as the location where he originally intended to submit his application. You electronically sign your DS-160 by clicking the "Sign Application" button at the end of the form. Failure to sign may result in termination of the application. Your electronic signature certifies that you have read and understood the questions in the application and that your answers are true and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief. The submission of an application containing any false or misleading statements may result in the permanent refusal of a visa or denial of entry into the United States. All declarations made in the application are unsworn declarations made under penalty of perjury. Unless you are exempted from appearing in person, your fingerprints will be electronically scanned on the day of your interview. By providing your fingerprints, you will again certify that that you have answered all questions on the DS-160 truthfully and to the best of your knowledge, and that you will tell the truth during your visa interview. You will be directed to read the following statement prior to having your fingerprints scanned: "By submitting my fingerprint, I am certifying under penalty of perjury that I have read and understood the questions in my visa application and that all statements that appear in my visa application have been made by me and are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. Furthermore, I certify under penalty of perjury that I will tell the truth during my interview and that all statements made by me during my interview will be complete to the best of my ability." If an applicant is illiterate or unable to complete the application, the applicant must be assisted by a third party. The third party must be identified on the "Sign and Submit" page of the application. While the third party can assist the applicant in completing the application, he or she must instruct the applicant on how to endorse the application on his or her own behalf by clicking the "Sign Application" button. If the applicant is under the age of 16 or physically incapable of completing an application, the applicant's parents or guardian may complete and click the "Sign Application" button on his or her behalf. If the applicant has no parent or legal guardian, then the application may be completed by any person having legal custody of, or a legitimate interest in, the applicant. Explanations of the following terms contained in the online DS-160 form are available to you as help topics while you complete the DS-160 and are also provided below. Help: Surnames Enter all surnames (or family names) exactly as they are written in your passport. If only one name is written in your passport, enter that as your "Surname." Help: Given Names If your passport does not include a first or given name, please enter 'FNU' (meaning "first name unknown") in the space for "Given Names." Help: Other Names Other names used include your maiden name, religious name, professional name, or any other name by which you are or have been known. Make sure to enter the other names you have used in full. Thus, if you have only used another surname, enter it along with your usual given name. If you have only used another given name, enter it along with your usual surname. Help: Telecode Telecodes are four-digit code numbers that represent characters in some non-Roman alphabet names. Help: Date of Birth Enter as shown in your passport. Help: Place of Birth Please choose the name currently used for the place where you were born. Help: Phone You must provide a primary phone number. The primary phone number should be the phone number at which you are most likely to be reached; this could be a land line or a cellular/mobile number. If you have an additional land line or a cellular/mobile number please list that as your secondary phone number. Help: Identification Numbers Your National ID Number is a unique number that your government may have provided. For example, the U.S. Government gives unique numbers to people looking to work or who pay taxes. Help: Other Nationality Enter all nationalities you currently hold and all nationalities you have previously held (including United States, if applicable), regardless of whether you have formally and/or legally relinquished the nationality. If the country where you previously held nationality no longer exists, choose the name of the country that is currently used for that location. (For example, if you used to be a citizen of the former East Germany, choose "Germany.") Help: Permanent Resident Permanent resident means any individual who has been legally granted by a country/region permission to live and work without time limitation in that country/region. Help: Passport/Travel Document Number Enter the number of the passport or travel document you will use to travel to the United States. This passport/document must still be valid, and must identify you and your nationality. Help: Passport Book Number The Passport Book Number is commonly called the inventory control number. You may or may not have a Passport Book Number on your passport. If you do, the location of the Passport Book Number on your passport may vary depending on the country that issued your passport. Please contact your passport issuing authority if you are unable to determine whether or not your passport contains a Passport Book Number. Help: Expiration Date In most cases your passport or travel document must be valid for at least six months after your arrival in the United States. Help: Application Receipt/Petition Number If you are applying for a petition-based visa, your application receipt/petition number was given to you by the Department of Homeland Security's U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) after you filed your petition application at a USCIS Service Center. The application receipt/petition number is 13 characters long and the first three characters are letters. Help: Previous Employer Please enter information regarding your previous two employers only. Applicants may choose to bring along a separate written list of all previous employers to the visa interview for reference. When completing the 'sex' field of the DS-160 [or DS-260], please select your sex at birth: male or female. Generally, this will be the sex listed on your passport. However, if your passport lists your gender identity, does not list a sex, or lists 'X'/'unspecified' in a sex identifier field, you must select your sex at birth. You can save your application or return to a partially completed application. When you begin a new DS-160, you will be issued a unique application identification (ID) number after selecting and answering a security question. Once you have your application ID number and have selected and answered a security question, you may exit the DS-160 application and return to it later. You must have your application ID to return to your application. To save your DS-160 to the Consular Electronic Application Center website, click the "Next" button at the bottom of each page you complete. You have 30 days to return to a partially completed application. To access your application after 30 days, you must save it to your computer hard drive or a disk, as explained in the FAQ below. Saving to a hard drive or disk will allow you to access your application after 30 days. To permanently save your application to your computer hard drive or a disk, select the "Save Application to File" button. Then, click the "Save" button on the File Download window. Identify a place on your computer to save the application, browse to that location, and click the "Save" button on the "Save As" window. The system will download your application to the specified location. Once the download is complete, you can click "Close" to return to the live application on our website. Note: Applications saved to the hard drive of a public or shared computer or memory device could likely be accessed by anyone else who uses the computer or device after you. Yes, you can use information from a previously submitted DS-160 to populate some fields on a new form. There are two ways that you can do this. First, if you plan to apply for a visa in the future, save your DS-160 to your hard drive or a disk using the instructions in the FAQ above. When you go to apply for your new visa you can then select "Option B-Upload a Previously Saved Application" on the Getting Started page. Alternately, if your previous visa application was submitted after November 1, 2010, you can select "Option C-Retrieve Application," enter your previous visa application ID, and then hit "Create a New Application." Your personal information will then populate the form. Be careful to check that all previously submitted information is current and accurate. All information is automatically saved when each page is completed, so your application will not be lost. You will need to enter the application ID number, and answer other questions as prompted, to retrieve your application. Once your application has been retrieved, it will begin at the last page you completed. You will be able to edit previous pages, if needed. In order for data changes made from the review page links to save, you must use the buttons at the bottom of each page to navigate, instead of the browser's back/forward buttons or the buttons along the side of the screen. Please refer to the Photograph Requirements for detailed guidance. That means that the photo upload failed. Therefore, you should submit one printed photograph meeting our requirements, along with the online DS-160 confirmation page, to the U.S. Embassy or Consulate at which you plan to apply for your visa. Please contact the U.S. Embassy or Consulate where you are applying for specific instructions on how to do this. See the print photo format found in the Photograph Requirements for more information. If the confirmation page includes a photo image, then the photo upload function was successful and no separate print photograph is required. DS-160 applications submitted before April 1, 2010 cannot be reopened, and therefore, you must complete and submit a new DS-160. The Embassy or Consulate should reopen your DS-160 submitted after April 1, 2010 if your application is denied for this reason and ask you to correct it, as explained below: DS-160 applications submitted on or after November 1, 2010: Enter your application ID number and answer additional questions as prompted to access and correct your application. DS-160 applications submitted on or after April 1, 2010, but before November 1, 2010: Enter your barcode or confirmation number into the Application ID field and answer additional questions as prompted to access and correct your application. Contact the U.S. Embassy or Consulate where you applied for specific instructions. You are not required to bring your entire application. For your interview, you are required to bring your confirmation page with your application ID number on it so we can retrieve your DS-160. You must bring the confirmation page with you during all phases of the application process. Without the confirmation page, we may not be able to process your visa case. Yes, you can reprint the confirmation page of an application that has already been submitted. In order to do so, go into the Consular Electronic Application Center website and select the Embassy or Consulate at which you are applying. Hit "Option C-Retrieve Application" on the Getting Started page and enter your application ID number. From there you will be able to view and print your confirmation page. Yes. When you select "Email Confirmation" on your Confirmation Page, you will be directed to a "Thank You" page. On the "Thank You" page you will see an option to create a family or group application. When you select this option, certain information from your application, such as destination, will automatically be imported to and displayed on a new application. Please note that if you use this option you must create an individual application for each family member or for each individual within the group. Yes. If one of the dependents has a different surname or nationality, for example, you can alter that data before submitting the application. It depends. If you are a Treaty Investor (E-2) applicant, you need only complete the DS-160. If you are a Treaty Trader (E-1) or an Executive/Manager/Essential Employee (E-1 or E-2), you must complete the DS-160, and you or your employer must complete the paper DS-156E form. This question is for testing whether you are a human visitor and to prevent automated spam submission. Audio is not supported in your browser. What code is in the image? Your support ID is: 1978867662537579593. The Consular Electronic Application Center gives instructions on how to retrieve a DS-160 application, either by using the Application ID or, if you 'forgot your application id,' to do so by answering your security questions. Update Since the above no longer work below are few ways you could retrieve the application id from the chrome cache. Note: I tried only on Mac, will update if I could find something similar to windows. Open Terminal and cd /Users//Library/Caches/Google/Chrome/Profile 2/Cache grep -Ri "APPLICATION ID" . vim Search for "Application ID" using /Application ID You should be able to retrieve the Id from the cache. This question is for testing whether you are a human visitor and to prevent automated spam submission. Audio is not supported in your browser. What code is in the image? Your support ID is: 1978867662548693197. Share — copy and redistribute the material in any medium or format for any purpose, even commercially. 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Update Since the above no longer work below are few ways you could retrieve the application id from the chrome cache. Note: I tried only on Mac, will update if I could find something similar to windows. Open Terminal and cd /Users//Library/Caches/Google/Chrome/Profile 2/Cache grep -Ri "APPLICATION ID" . vim Search for "Application ID" using /Application ID You should be able to retrieve the Id from the cache. HIGHLIGHTS Check your email for the DS-160 confirmation email from the U.S. Department of State.Retrieve your DS-160 application from the CEAC website using your Application ID, security question, and personal details.If retrieval fails, fill out and submit a new DS-160 form to receive a new confirmation number.For mistakes on the DS-160 form, complete a new DS-160 form with correct information.Print the new confirmation page and notify the U.S. Embassy or Consulate about the updated DS-160.Bring both old and new DS-160 confirmation pages to your visa interview.Inform the consular officer about any errors during your interview if unable to submit a new DS-160 beforehand.Carefully review all DS-160 details to avoid errors and ensure a smooth visa application process.Applying for a US visa involves several steps, one of which includes filling out the DS-160 online form. This form is mandatory for anyone applying for a non-immigrant visa to the United States. Once you submit the DS-160 form online, you receive a confirmation number/page that you will need to book your visa interview. However, losing the confirmation number or realizing you made a mistake on the DS-160 can be quite stressful. Luckily, there are ways to rectify such situations and proceed with your US visa interview without much hassle. In this blog, we will outline the possible actions to take if you lose or forget your DS-160 confirmation number or make a mistake on the DS-160 form.Retrieving the Lost or Forgotten DS-160 Confirmation NumberCheck Your EmailThe first and easiest step to retrieve your lost or forgotten DS-160 confirmation number is to check your email. When you initially submit your DS-160 form, a confirmation email with the confirmation number is sent to the email address you provided on the application form. Search your inbox and spam folders for an email from the U.S. Department of State.Retrieve Your DS-160 ApplicationIf you cannot find the email or did not receive one, you can retrieve your DS-160 application by visiting the Consular Electronic Application Center (CEAC) website. You will need the following information:Your Application ID: This is the unique identifier for your DS-160 application. If you cannot remember your Application ID, you may be able to retrieve it by providing your name, email address, date of birth, and the answer to your security question.The security question you answered when filling out your DS-160.Once you have retrieved your DS-160 application, you can find your confirmation number on the confirmation page of the application.Fill Out a New DS-160 FormIf above methods fail, you can fill out a new DS-160 form. Be aware that you will have to provide all the information again, and any previous information that you had submitted will be lost. After you complete and submit the new DS-160 form, you will receive a new confirmation number that you can use to book your U.S. visa interview.F-1 VisaMississippi State University"Thanks to the team, I was totally ready for my US visa interview. Their feedback on my answers was super detailed and helped me see where I needed to improve. And, I got my green slip in the end!!" Correcting Mistakes on DS-160 FormOnce the DS-160 form is submitted, you cannot edit the information. However, you can address mistakes in the following ways:Submit a New DS-160 FormThe easiest solution to correct a mistake on the DS-160 form is to submit a new one online:Fill Out a New DS-160 FormComplete a new DS-160 form on the CEAC website, ensuring that you review all the information carefully to avoid repeating the same mistake.Print the New Confirmation PagePrint the new confirmation page after completing the DS-160 form.Notify the U.S. Embassy or ConsulateInform the U.S. Embassy or Consulate where you scheduled your interview about the new DS-160 form. It's advisable to bring both the old and new DS-160 confirmation pages to your visa interview.Inform Consular Officer During the InterviewIf you can't submit a new DS-160 form before your interview, inform the consular officer about the mistake during your interview. The officer will decide if the mistake requires a new DS-160 form. If a new form is needed, you may have to reschedule your interview.Losing your DS-160 confirmation number or making a mistake on the DS-160 form can be concerning, but it's important to stay calm and address the issue promptly. Follow this guide to recover your lost or forgotten confirmation number or correct a mistake on the DS-160 form. Make sure to review all the information on the DS-160 form carefully to avoid any problems during your visa application process. Good luck! This question is for testing whether you are a human visitor and to prevent automated spam submission. Audio is not supported in your browser. What code is in the image? Your support ID is: 1978867662548693197. If you have lost or are unable to retrieve your DS-160 confirmation page that has already been submitted, it's no problem. This this article will help you retrieve it again. To reprint the DS-160 confirmation page of an application that has already been submitted, follow the below steps: Click here to visit the U.S. Department of State Consular Electronic Application Centers website.Under NONIMMIGRANT section, choose DS160, Online Nonimmigrant Visa Application.Select the location where you had made the appointment (check your appointment confirmation) e.g. India, New Delhi.Enter the captcha code and click the "Retrieve an Application" button.If the captcha code is correct, it will now ask you to enter the DS-160 Application ID, which can be found in the appointment confirmation page as "DS-160 Confirmation Number" and click "Retrieve Application" button."Retrieve Application" is used to fetch the already submitted DS-160 confirmation page.You will then be prompted with additional security questions: First 5 letters of surname.Year of birth.What name did your family used to call you when you were a child? (this could be different).Once you have entered the correct answers and click the "Retrieve Application" button, you will be prompted with:"View Confirmation Page" (select this option)."Create New Application".Select "View Confirmation Page" option and "Continue."The confirmation page will consist of a barcode, application ID and your name and details.Select "Email Confirmation" and select "yes" if you need to send to a different email address. (Do you want to send your confirmation to an additional email address?)Enter and confirm if you chose a different email. Otherwise, just click the "Email Confirmation" button.Wait for the email to arrive at your chosen email address. It sometimes take 5-10 minutes.Just to be on the safe side, click "Print Confirmation" and "Save as PDF" in your local machine.Also, make sure the "Completed Date" (□□□□□ □□□□ □□ □□□□□) is the date of which you filled the DS 160. If you are trying to retrieve the confirmation page after 30 days it might not show up. Instead it might pull up the previous ones and that might be dated way back.In such case, repeat the steps from the beginning and click Create New Application at step 8. Make sure to save the Application ID somewhere in your notepad or email it to yourself just in case if you loose the session you don't want to redo all the steps again and again. Did you ever wonder what a DS-160 confirmation page look like? Please check the below. Share this article: Facebook X LinkedIn Email The Online Nonimmigrant Visa Application, also known as Form DS-160, is used by individuals who want to apply for a temporary visa to travel to the U.S. and fiancé(e) visas (K visas). It is not the appropriate form if you seek a visa to move to the United States permanently. For that, you need to apply for a green card. Filling out Form DS-160 involves answering questions about your history, family, and personal information so the USCIS can determine your eligibility. In conjunction with the personal interview, the answers dictate whether you are approved for the visa. In this guide, you will: Learn how to fill out Form DS-160 online Discover how to retrieve it after submission Find answers to the most commonly asked DS-160 questions. This form is one of many forms required in family immigration. VisaNation takes care of all of the paperwork for you, so you don't have to worry about it. Start your application today! Increase Your Green Card Approval Chances with VisaNation's Innovative Software. Start How To Apply for a Nonimmigrant Visa with Form DS-160 Filing Form DS-160 is done electronically through the U.S. Department of State's Consular Electronic Application Center. Filling out the form takes around 90 minutes. Importantly, you can have other people assist you, such as a qualified immigration expert. You must, however, electronically sign and submit your application under U.S. law unless you qualify for an exemption. 1. Set your Language settings If you do not speak English, you can change the language of the form in the upper right-hand corner of the page where it says "Select Tooltip Language." Different language options are available, including French, German, Italian, Chinese, Hebrew, and more. 2. Note down your Application ID After entering where you will be applying from, entering the ReCAPTCHA, and clicking "start an Application," ensure you note down your application ID, located next to the Department of State crest. You can use this ID to retrieve your DS-160 application at any time. This is important, as it lets you take breaks and return to the process at your leisure. If you've already started an application, you can retrieve your DS-160 by putting in your application ID and answering a security question. Increase Your Green Card Approval Chances with VisaNation's Innovative Software. Start 3. Prepare Required Documents for the DS-160 There are many documents you will need to fill out the Form DS-160, including: Passport (valid for at least six months beyond your intended stay in the U.S.) Travel Itinerary National ID number (if issued by home country) Social Security Number/U.S. Taxpayer ID (if applicable) Employment history Names and addresses of employers Dates of employment Job titles and responsibilities Travel history documents Dates of previous visits to the U.S. – You can use the U.S. Customs and Border Protection I-94 tool, which will show you your travel history to the U.S. Previous U.S. visa information (if applicable) Information about travel companions Previous U.S. visa refusals or overstays (if applicable) Coming to the U.S. to study? If so, you need a copy of your SEVIS ID (found on your I-20 or DS-2019) in addition to the address of the school or university you will be attending. If you are a temporary worker, have a copy of your I-129 on hand. Digital version of a recent photograph of yourself (must meet U.S. government requirements). See examples of acceptable photos. Increase Your Green Card Approval Chances with VisaNation's Innovative Software. Start 4. Submit Application and Print the Confirmation Page Ensure you have double-checked every section of your application for mistakes and then electronically sign the form. Next, print the confirmation page. You must bring the confirmation page to your visa interview. 5. Pay the Visa Application Fee The fee for the DS-160 form application is $185 for non-petition-based nonimmigrant visas, which include tourist and business visas, exchange visitors, students, NAFTA professionals, and more. Petition-based DS-160 fees are $205 and include the following categories: Temporary Workers/Employment or Trainees Intracompany TransfereesPersons with Extraordinary Ability Athletes. Artists & Entertainers International Cultural Exchange Religious Worker Follow instructions from the U.S. embassy or consulate website where you're applying. Fees and payment methods vary by country. 6. Schedule and Attend Your Visa Interview Schedule your appointment using the U.S. embassy/consulate's appointment system. Bring your DS-160 confirmation page, passport, required documents, visa fee receipt, and other supporting materials. For any changes to the DS-160 at this stage, call the embassy/consulate for instructions. How to Fill Out the DS-160 Application Section 1: Personal History and Information The first part of the application will ask you about personal information, including your date of birth, legal name, marital status, nationality, passport/national ID number, and your U.S. Social Security number or taxpayer ID if you have one. Section 2: Travel Itinerary What are your travel plans? What is the purpose of your trip to the United States? This section asks you specific travel itinerary plans, including your arrival and departure dates, the address where you will stay in the United States, etc. Section 3: Who You Are Traveling With Bringing a travel companion with you to the United States? This section asks for details about who you are traveling with, whether it is a relative, friend, group, etc. Section 4: Prior Travel to the United States Traveled in the past to the U.S.? If so, you must detail why you came in the past and the dates. The I-94 tool helps with this. This section also contains questions about whether you have ever been denied a U.S. visa or if you have ever filed an immigrant petition with USCIS. Always be honest, concise, and accurate with your answers. Section 5: Contact Information You will need to submit your current address and contact information, like your email address and phone number, in this section. They also ask for social media account handles from the past five years for sites like Facebook or Twitter. (Do not provide your password or login credentials to these accounts) USCIS may review your activity on these social media accounts. DS-160 is one of the essential forms that must be completed for the fiancé immigration pathway. Any mistake can set you back several weeks if not months. Don't let errors hold you back, and let us increase the chances of approval by creating an error-free application for you. Get started today! Section 6: Passport Details This section is pretty simple – submit the passport numbers they ask for. Section 7: Contact in the United States For this section, you must identify someone in the United States who can vouch for your identity. So if you are visiting a friend or relative in the U.S., you can include them. If you do not know anyone, you can put the name of an organization or business you are visiting. Section 8: Family Members You will be asked for information about your parents, spouse, nationality, home address, and any relatives who live in the United States. Section 9: Employment History, Education & Training This section will ask you about your educational history, employment history, and occupation up to five years in the past. It may also request details about past travel history. Section 10: Security Questions This section has 25 questions (yes or no format) regarding national security. Section 11: Photo Requirement You are almost done with the application if you made it this far! This section asks you to upload a digital version of a recent photograph of yourself (must meet U.S. government requirements). Have the image file ready on your computer so you can upload it. Remember that you still need to take a printed passport-style photo with you to the visa interview. Section 12: Sign and Submit Your Application You made it to the final section! Carefully review all the previous answers in each section for accuracy and agree to the terms/conditions, then click submit! You must print the final confirmation page and bring it to the visa interview! Form DS-160 Filing Tips You must complete the form online, as there is no paper version. You can work on it in multiple sittings. You have 30 days to complete it in its entirety. Write down your application ID, located in the top right-hand corner of the page, in case you accidentally close the browser. You can retrieve it using the ID. There is an option to create a family application if you need to fill out more than one DS-160 for family members. After you complete one application in its entirety, follow along to the 'Thank You' page, and there will be an option to select 'create a family application.' Many of the details are automatically filled in, saving you time in the process. Save the application frequently. If you are inactive for 20 minutes on the page, then the system will time out, and any information you have not saved will be lost. Remember to electronically sign your application (unless you qualify as exempt). If you fail to electronically sign, the application may be denied. After submitting DS-160, print and keep a record of the barcode page. Always fill out the information honestly. If you are unsure about the answer to a question, it is best to have a qualified immigration professional assist you. Increase Your Green Card Approval Chances with VisaNation's Innovative Software. Start What to Do After Completing Form DS-160 Once you have completed the DS-160 for yourself and any family members accompanying you, print the confirmation page and bring it along with you to the interview at the U.S. embassy/consulate, along with any documents required by your visa. You can always log into the system again using your Application ID if you did not print it out immediately after completion. Wondering about the status of your application? You can check the status with your Application ID. DS-160 Frequently Asked Questions Below are some of the most frequently asked questions about Form DS-160. If you have additional questions, it is best to consult a qualified immigration professional. Who needs to fill out Form DS-160? The DS-160 is intended for anyone who plans to visit the U.S. on a temporary visa, anyone coming to the country on a K-1 visa to get married, and Mexican citizens applying for a TN visa. Can I bring my spouse without filling out another DS-160? All individuals planning to travel to the United States must fill out their own DS-160. You can save time in the application process for multiple family members by creating a family application (instructions found under the tips section). Increase Your Green Card Approval Chances with VisaNation's Innovative Software. Start How much does the DS-160 cost? The visa fee for the DS-160 form application is $185 for non-petition-based nonimmigrant visas, and Petition-based visa categories have a fee of $205 Can I make changes to ds-160 after booking an appointment? The latest instructions of USCIS are to contact the individual embassy or consulate for instructions. With an agent, you should be able to tell them your application