

The Global Glance

A Monthly Update from the Office of Global Engagement
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Visa/Immigration

Changes to visa interview procedure in India

To help facilitate the lengthy process of securing a visa appointment in India, criteria for waiving the visa interview has been expanded. Those applying for F-1, J-1, H-1b, among other categories may now waive the interview requirement if they have previously been issued a visa of any type. Previously, this interview waiver only applied to renewals of the same type of visa. Visa officers may still request an in-person interview if additional information is required from applicant.

US Consulates in India will release 20,000 additional interview waiver (Dropbox) appointments. Despite these improvements, demand is still expected to remain high throughout 2022 and wait times are expected to continue to be longer than they were before 2020. The US Embassy is located in New Delhi with consulates located in Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, and Mumbai.

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International Visitor/Scholar

Research Update: UNMC COVID-19 guidelines

Due to the increasing spread of COVID-19, the Office of Global Engagement has suspended processing of new international visitor registrations until further notice. International visitors that have been previously approved by OGE may continue their activities. Departments must ensure that all international visitors are fully vaccinated for COVID-19 and provide proof of vaccination to OGE. International visitors should be strongly encouraged to obtain a booster, as soon as they are eligible.

Questions about these changes can be sent to internationalvisitor@unmc.edu.

Dates and Deadlines

Sunapsis

The Office of Global Engagement is continuing to rollout iGlobal to UNMC. iGlobal is the University of Nebraska's international participant management system. It is utilized by all four NU campuses to track and maintain the records for all international students, scholars, and employees. Additional iGlobal training dates have been scheduled. Training sessions will transition to every other week in February.

To register, click on a date below:

[Tuesday, January 18](#)

[Tuesday, January 25](#)

[Thursday, February 3](#)

[Thursday, February 17](#)

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