INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

FOREIGN NATIONAL INFORMATION (FNIS)
DATA ENTRY SESSION
Before You Start

YOU WILL NEED YOUR:

- Passport/VISA
- I-94 (for entry dates in U.S.)
  https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home
- I-20 Form for F-1 Visa holders
  OR
- DS-2019 for J-1 Visa holders
Log In Instructions

- To log into FNIS go to https://fnis.thomsonreuters.com/amherst/
- Enter the Username provided on the notification e-mail
- Cut and paste the assigned “temporary” Password from the original e-mail
Change Password

- Enter your current password
- Enter your new password
- Enter your new password
- Click on “Change Password”

You are required to change your password the first time you use FNIS. Please use the form below to create a new password.

Account Configuration

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Change Password

Passwords must be 8 characters including one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter, one special character ( !@#$%^&*()_+.) and one numeric character.

Current Password

New Password

Confirm New Password

Change Password
Welcome to the Foreign National Information System

Welcome to the Foreign National Information System (FNIS)! Using FNIS, you can enter data about yourself to send to your host institution, download and print tax forms, and more.

- **Data Entry**
  Send information about yourself to your host institution.

- **IRS Form**
  - **View and Print**
    View and print tax forms for submission to the IRS.

  - **Consent**
    Consent to view and print tax forms.

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- **Account Configuration**
  Configure your account and change your FNIS password.
Consent To Send Electronic Forms and Reports

- Read the consent form description
- IRS Form 1042S – select the I have read the above and hereby agree......
Consent To Send Electronic Forms and Reports

• All other IRS Forms and Reports
• Click on the “I have read the above and hereby agree.....

All Other IRS Forms and Reports (Does not include 1042-S)

- I have read the above and hereby agree to give consent to my Institution to deliver the IRS forms and Reports over the Internet.
- I do not give consent to my Institution to deliver the IRS forms and Reports over the Internet.

• Click Submit
Click on the Data Entry tab

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STEP 1: Basic Information

Make sure your name is correct

Enter “yes” if you are in the process of applying for a S.S.N.

If you have a S.S.N. enter it here

This is the number found on your Amherst College ID. Type the number into the fields that are circled – omitting the leading zeros
STEP 1: Basic Information

- Click on the down arrow to select: Undergraduate
- Trainee type should be blank

![Image of a form with 'Undergraduate' selected in the student type dropdown]

- Click
STEP 2: Individual Information

• Check to make sure that your Date of Birth is correct
• Select “Single” for Marital Status if applicable
STEP 2: Individual Information

• Leave “Fax Number” box blank
• Confirm your AC e-mail address
• Date First Ever Entered USA
• Claiming Personal Exemption – YES

• Click
STEP 3: Address Information

• If you are currently enrolled at the College enter Address Line 1 as: AC Box #____ and the State “Massachusetts” should be entered. Leave the middle address section blank. If you are a graduate and still in the U.S. complete all lines.
STEP 3: Address Information

• Enter your foreign residence address

• Click

Save & Continue >
STEP 4: Additional Information

- Enter the country that issued your passport
- Enter your passport number
- Enter your passport expiration date
- Are you also a U.S. citizen – select NO
Country of Tax Residence

- Generally will be the same as your country of citizenship.
- If you were living in another country prior to coming to Amherst College, please leave this box blank (a representative from our office will contact you for additional information).
STEP 4: Additional Information

• Selected answers in this example should be correct for the majority of students
• Skip “Self Employment” Section

Click

Save & Continue >
STEP 5: Visa/Immigration Status History

• Please click to Add New Record for each Visa you have had with the United States
VISA Number Location

Visa Number
Create a New VISA Immigration Record

This is a typical entry for a first time F1 Student

- **Immigration Status**: F-1 Student
- **J Subcategory**: Not Applicable
- **Primary Purpose of Visit**: Studying in Degree Program
- **Tax residence country before entering US**: IRELAND
- **Treaty Benefit Taken as**: Unknown
- **Visa Number**: 58978956
- **First Day in U.S. in this Status**: 30-Aug-2011
- **Last Day in U.S. in this Status**: 23-May-2015
- **SEVIS ID**: 4578965

- **Could be studying in a non-degree course**
- **See previous screen for location of Visa Number. Canadian citizens should leave this box blank**
- **I-94 Date**: DD-Mon-YYYY
- **Graduation date found on your I-20 form**: DD-Mon-YYYY

• **Click**

Found on your I-20. The SEVIS ID begins with the letter “N”
Create a New VISA Immigration Record

This is a typical entry for a first time J1 Student

- Click  

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- **Immigration Status**
  - J Subcategory
  - Primary Purpose of Visit
  - Tax residence country before entering US
  - Foreign Funded
  - Treaty Benefit Taken as
  - Visa Number
  - First Day in U.S. in this Status
  - Last Day in U.S. in this Status
  - SEVIS ID

**J-1 Exchange Visitor**
- **Student**
- **Studying in Non-Degree Program**
- **IRELAND**
  - Yes
  - No
  - Unknown

**Found on line 3 “From” date on DS**
- 26-Aug-2012

**Found on line 3 “To” date on DS**
- 31-May-2013

**Save & Continue >**

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**Found on DS-2019, Top right hand corner above J-1 bar**
- 58978956

**Found on line 3 “From” date on DS**
- DD-Mon-YYYY

**Found on line 3 “To” date on DS**
- DD-Mon-YYYY

**Save & Continue >**
Create a New VISA Immigration Record

The screen will refresh and you will notice that there is now an F-1 or J-1 Status.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Visa Type/Immigration Status</th>
<th>Start Date</th>
<th>End Date</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><em>F-1 Student</em></td>
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- Click Continue >
STEP 6: Confirmation

ALMOST DONE!!!!!!

• Click on View Data to review your data.
Once you are done reviewing your data return to the confirmation page by:
  
  o Selecting the “BACK” button
  
  or

  o Using the [click here.](#) at the end of the 2nd paragraph
STEP 6: Confirmation

• Check the box to confirm your acceptance
• Click Finish
Information Received

The screen will refresh and you will receive the following message. Be sure to send e-mail notification using the “Please click here” area.

Your information has been received and you will be contacted by your school administrator within a few business days.

Please click here to create an email notifying your administrator at Amherst College that you have just submitted your Foreign National Information Form. Sending this email will ensure that your information is seen and checked for completeness by your administrator.
If Amherst College is required to issue you a Form 1042S for the current I.R.S. tax year you will receive an electronic notification prior to March 15th.