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DSOs: SEVP Changes the Recertification Notification Process

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Per regulation, all SEVP-certified schools must be recertified every two years. A school's certification expiration date (CED) is exactly two years from the date of initial certification or the date of previous recertification.

In response to the [March 2019 U.S. Government Accountability Office \(GAO\) recommendation](#) for SEVP to more precisely establish a two-year recertification cycle, any school that is certified or recertified after March 1, 2020, will receive their next CED notice 180 days before the two-year deadline. Schools will continue to receive their CED

notification through an automatic Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS)-generated email.

Previously, SEVP notified schools for recertification two years after the date of its last certification or recertification. SEVP then gave schools up to 180 days beyond the two-year mark to submit for recertification. Under this process, schools were permitted to submit its complete petition and supporting documentation to SEVP up to 180 days after the two-year mark, resulting in a two-and-a-half-year recertification submission cycle.

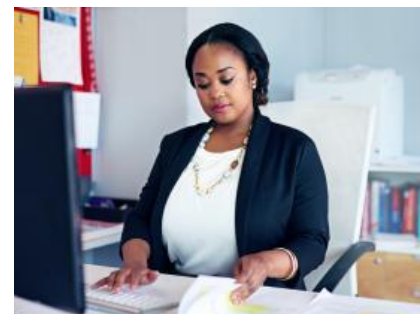
As your institution's CED approaches, read the [Recertification Series](#) on the [Study in the States blog](#) for more information, reminders and helpful resources that you can reference during the recertification process. Download [Frequently Asked Questions: Updated Certification Expiration Date Process](#) on ICE.gov/SEVP for answers to common questions about this change.

For case specific questions, please contact your assigned field representative or the [SEVP Response Center](#).

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