All international applicants should wait at least 10 days after arrival to the U.S before applying for a social security card to allow for complete immigration data transfer processing.

**IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR A SOCIAL SECURITY CARD (you must have a job offer):**

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR F-1 STUDENTS:**
- Completed Form SS-5, [http://www.ssa.gov/online/ss-5.html](http://www.ssa.gov/online/ss-5.html) application for a social security card.
- Passport and one additional document establishing identity (i.e. visa).
- Form I-94.
- SEVIS Form I-20 with “Continued Attendance” (cannot say “Initial Attendance”)
- Official offer letter from employer confirming employment
- Proof of employment eligibility:
  - **On-campus employment** requires a letter from a DSO affirming that the F-1 student is enrolled in a full course of study and is authorized to work. This letter can be requested through ISAO Online Services: [https://www.umkc.edu/isao/srv/services/index.cfm](https://www.umkc.edu/isao/srv/services/index.cfm)
  - **Curricular Practical Training (CPT),** the student must show the CPT authorization on the employment page of Form I-20 and **Letter of Certification** (this can be requested through Online Services)
  - **Optional Practical Training (OPT)** or off-campus employment, the student must present an employment authorization document (EAD).

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR J-1 EXCHANGE VISITORS:**
- Completed Form SS-5, [http://www.ssa.gov/online/ss-5.html](http://www.ssa.gov/online/ss-5.html) application for a social security card.
- Passport and one additional document establishing identity (i.e. visa).
- Form I-94.
- SEVIS Form DS-2019.
- Proof of employment authorization.
  - J-1 students must have a letter from the exchange program (host) authorizing employment.
  - J-1 scholars authorized to work incident to status, need only Form DS-2019.

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE EMPLOYMENT AND JUST NEED A LETTER FOR THE DEPT. OF MOTOR VEHICLES (DMV):**

You will take the documents listed below to the Social Security Office, they will then issue you an official letter from them saying that you are ineligible (not able) to receive a Social Security number because you are not being paid by a company in the US. You will then take this letter, along with documents required by the DMV, to the DMV to apply for a driver’s license/state ID.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR F OR J STUDENTS/EXCHANGE VISITORS:**
- I-20 or DS-2019
- Form I-94
- Valid passport and visa
- For F-Visa holders: Letter of Certification and Certificate of Enrollment letter
- For J-Scholars/Visitors: Certificate of Scholarly Activity and Ineligibility for SSN letters
SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICES NEAR UMKC

Office Address:
Social Security
6320 Euclid
Kansas City, MO 61432

Directions:
Two blocks south of 63rd Street on Euclid, which is between Prospect and the Paseo.

Office Address:
Social Security
2021 Independence Avenue
Kansas City, MO 64124

Directions:
On the corner of Independence Avenue and Garfield; Between Paseo and Prospect.

Office Address:
Social Security
15375 W 95th Street
Lenexa, KS 66219

Directions:
One block west of Lackman Road. On 95th Street. In the Kansas Commerce Center. Turn south on Twilight Lane (one block west of Lackman Road) and follow the signs.

All offices are open from 9:00 A.M to 3:30 P.M. Except on Federal Holidays.

Toll Free Number: 1-800-772-1213  TTY Number: 1-800-325-0778