Documents Required to Reenter the U.S.

- Valid passport: your passport must be valid for at least 6 months at time of reentry.
- Valid F-1, J-1, H-1B, or O-1 visa: visa expiration must be after date of reentry.
  - Canadian citizens: you do not need a U.S. entry visa, but should NOT use NEXUS or Global Entry.
  - Automatic Visa Revalidation — if you are an F or J visa holder, you may reenter the U.S. from Canada, Mexico, and the Caribbean islands, except Cuba, with an expired visa if your visit abroad is less than 30 days (you must have an I-94 and valid passport, and I-20 or DS-2019).
- Valid I-20 or DS-2019 or I-797: your document expiration date must be after the date of reentry.
- Valid travel signature on your I-20 or DS-2019 from the HIO: the HIO signature must be less than 12 months old on the day of your reentry.
- SEVIS Fee Receipt: Please go to www.fmjfee.com to print your I-901 SEVIS fee receipt. If you have not paid the SEVIS fee, you must pay and print the receipt from the same website.

Post-completion OPT: In addition to the above documents, if you are a student on post-completion OPT, you also need your EAD, a travel signature that is less than 6 months old on day of reentry, and an employment verification letter confirming your employment for the period of approved OPT.

Documents Required to Travel within the U.S.

- If you are traveling within the Boston/Cambridge area, keep digital copies of the original documents listed above. If you are traveling outside the Boston/Cambridge area but remaining within the U.S. (e.g. Portland, Maine) have digital copies on your phone and/or laptop and also bring the originals of the above documents.

Documents Required to Travel to the U.S. - Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination and Negative Test Result

- In addition to the documents listed above, you must also present proof of a FDA or WHO approved COVID-19 vaccination and a negative COVID-19 test, in order to travel to the U.S. There are limited exceptions to this requirement. See the CDC website for details and to confirm you have the required COVID-19 documents to reenter the U.S.

Never accept any public benefits (e.g. Mass Health, food stamps, or subsidized housing).

Maintain required health insurance coverage for yourself and any dependents.

Always apply for an extension BEFORE your Form I-20/DS-2019/I-797/passport expires.

If you are a student, you must always maintain full-time enrollment status. Check with your HIO advisor if your full-time status will change for any reason.

Always carry your passport and Form I-20/DS-2019/I-797 with you when traveling outside the U.S.

Always report any changes of address to the HIO within 10 days of moving.

Always report any changes in your name or citizenship to the HIO.

Always update the HIO if you or your dependent(s) change immigration status or leave the U.S. permanently.

Consult with your HIO advisor prior to engaging in any activity that would earn you money or remuneration in the U.S. or before entering into a relationship with a non-Harvard entity to perform services, including paid or unpaid internships or externships.