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TO: UCSB EMPLOYER

International students in the F-1 visa status who need to apply for a social security number (SSN) in order to be paid for work on campus are required by the Social Security Administration to provide a letter from their UCSB employing department that has been separately endorsed by the Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS). *PLEASE NOTE: Federal law does **not** require that employees have SSNs before they can be hired and begin work.*

The UCSB employing department needs to complete the top half of the letter and return it to the student or mail it to OISS (mail code 7150). The Office of International Students and Scholars will then endorse the department's information after verifying the student is enrolled for a full course of study. The student will pick up the letter from OISS and submit it with their social security application.

UCSB Employer Verification

Evidence of employment for: _____ Perm: _____
(Name of F-1 Student)

Employing Department _____

Brief Job Description: _____

Start Date: _____ Number of Hours/Week: _____

UCSB Employer Identification Number (EIN): **956006145**

Immediate Supervisor's Name: _____

Supervisor's Telephone: _____

Supervisor's Signature (Original): _____

Supervisor's Title: _____ Date: _____

Office of International Students and Scholars Verification

The above named student is in valid F-1 status and is in good standing at the University of California, Santa Barbara. The student is eligible to be employed in the capacity stated above.

Signature of Designated School Official (DSO)

Date

- Cristina Carney Carli Fowler Elizabeth Morgan Simran Singh Erik Williams

SOCIAL SECURITY CARD APPLICATION FOR F-1 STUDENTS

Social security numbers (SSNs) will only be issued to F-1 students who have a properly completed UCSB Employer Verification Letter (see reverse). In addition, F-1 students must be registered for classes as full time students (graduates 8 units and undergraduates 12 units) before the Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS) can endorse the employment verification letter. Students should wait at least 10 days after OISS has endorsed the employer verification letter before applying for their number. If students apply before the 10 day waiting period, the Santa Barbara Social Security Office will not be able to verify their registration in the SEVIS immigration database. The Santa Barbara office will then be required to send the application to their regional office where it will take a minimum of 30 days to issue the number. Students will need the following documents to apply:

1. Form I-20 and I-94 (white card or printout from <https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/>)
2. Passport (or original birth certificate—if passport exempt)
3. One other form of identification (driver's license, student card, health insurance card, marriage record, etc.)
4. Properly endorsed UCSB Employer Verification Letter (see reverse)

Social Security Office

355 Paseo Nuevo Mall, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Phone: (866) 695-6285 (Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Wed: 9 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)

Directions from UCSB/Goleta: Go South on 101, take the Carrillo Street exit and turn Left (toward mountains). Turn Right at Chapala Street, heading toward Canon Perdido Street. Immediately after crossing Canon Perdido, begin looking for the Paseo Nuevo Mall's underground parking entrances on the Left side of Chapala street.

If traveling by bus from UCSB, take bus #24X or #11 to the Transit Center. Walk South (toward the beach) on Chapala Street until you arrive at the Mall. The Social Security Office is opposite the Paseo Nuevo Mall Cinemas.

The Social Security Office (#355) is located in near the center court of the Paseo Nuevo Shopping Center (see map below), across from the movie theaters (#8). The Paseo Nuevo Shopping Center offers 75 minutes of free parking (2.5 hours for disabled parking) after 10AM.

