

GETTING A DRIVER'S LICENSE AS AN F-1 STUDENT

1. Visit the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) at www.mva.maryland.gov

- a. Get an online copy of the Maryland Driver's Handbook.

Visit <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/drivers/maryland-drivers-manual.htm>

- b. Study the driving laws in Maryland

Practice for the written test with an online tutorial.

http://www.mva.maryland.gov/DriverServ/ROOKIEDRIVER/tutorial/Tutorial_intro.html

2. Complete an online MVA form called the S.A.V. E. Verification Form.

Enter your I-94 number and your SEVIS ID (on the top left corner of your I-20).

The URL for this online form is: <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/save.htm>

The "Admission to" date is the Program End Date on your I-20 -the DL is that plus 60 days

- a. Print and save a copy **before** you click the SUBMIT button.

- b. Select the MVA branch you would like to visit.

- c. An MVA official will contact you (by email) within five days with the verification results and to make an appointment with you. Do not go to the MVA until you receive this email.

3. Collect the Sources of Proof required by the MVA.

- a. Source documents for your age and identity

i. Unexpired valid foreign passport with a U.S. visa affixed (visa can be expired).

ii. Your I-94 form to document your most recent admittance into the U.S.

iii. Your I-20 form from MC

iv. An International Driver's License or a translated out-of-country driver's license, if you have one. If the license is not in English, it must be translated by an approved MVA translator. The approved translator list can be found at:

http://www.mva.maryland.gov/_resources/docs/drivers/int-trans-list.pdf

- b. Source documents for your Maryland Residency (bring at least two)

i. Checking or savings account statement

ii. Cell phone bill or any other utility, telephone bill with your Maryland address

iii. Residential rental contract (apartment lease)

iv. Credit card bill (MasterCard, Visa, American Express)

v. Montgomery County Library Card Letter

- c. Social Security card or Proof of ineligibility for a Social Security Number

If you do not have a Social Security card, you will have to go to the Social Security Office to obtain a "Proof of ineligibility for a Social Security Number" letter. If you cannot get the correct letter, see our office. When you go to the SSA Office, bring the following documents with you

i. Completed "Application for a Social Security Card."

ii. Passport, visa, and I-20.

4. Attend a 3-hour Alcohol and Drug Education Program

The MVA link for this program is: <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/AboutMVA/INFO/26200-678/26200-09T.htm>

Be sure to take all of the required documents with you to the MVA appointment. If you have any trouble, please come to the International Coordinator's office or call us at (240) 567-5043.

Montgomery College

International Student Office

MVA OFFICE INFORMATION

MVA Customer Service phone number for all offices: 1-800-950-1682

MVA Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm for all services and every Saturday 8:30am to noon for Driver's License Services only.

<p>Gaithersburg Office 15 Metropolitan Grove Rd. (off Clopper Road) Gaithersburg, MD 20878 See Ms Chen Qu with questions</p>	<p>Frederick Office 1601 Bowman Farm Rd. Fredrick, MD 21701 (Take Exit 56 on I-70)</p>	<p>Beltsville Office 11760 Baltimore Ave. (MD Route 1) Beltsville, MD 20705 (Take US-1South exit 12B)</p>
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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

<p>Rockville Office 315 N WASHINGTON ST ROCKVILLE, MD 20850 1-800-772-1213 1-866-838-5341 Open Mon – Fri from 9:00am – 4:00pm</p>	<p>Hillandale Office SUITE 304 10230 NEW HAMPSHIRE AV SILVER SPRING, MD 20903 1-800-772-1213 Open Mon – Fri from 9:00am – 4:00pm</p>
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