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Monthly Newsletter October

**WORLD
TEACHERS' DAY**
October 5



Highlights



**New Admission Requirement for
Active F-1 Students**



**A Milestone in Growth: 10,000
Students and Counting**

Westcliff has officially surpassed
10,000 students, a milestone

New Active F-1 applicants must now complete an advisory session before admission, providing additional support to students throughout the application and I-20 process. This change applies to new applicants moving forward and does not affect students already admitted or enrolled in the Fall 2 session.

[View New Checklist](#)



Why International Students Choose Westcliff

Discover how Westcliff's career-focused programs, supportive resources, and diverse community representing more than 130 countries create a welcoming environment for international students.

[Learn More](#)

reflecting the growth, diversity, and shared commitment of our global community. See the people and stories behind this achievement.

[Watch Here](#)



10 Years of SOAR: Advancing Applied Research

Join Westcliff on October 15 for the 10th annual Symposium of Applied Research (SOAR), honoring a decade of impactful scholarship, innovation, and collaboration.

[Event Details](#)



Celebrating Westcliff's Global Community

See how more than 200 members of the Westcliff community celebrated the cultures, cuisines, and traditions represented across our student body at our 5th annual International Food and Culture Festival.

[View our Instagram](#)



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WELCOME, GLOBAL PARTNERS

Westcliff Global Partner Network

Join the Westcliff Global Partner Network

We're pleased to invite our educational partners to join the Westcliff Global Partner Network, our official WhatsApp Community for educational consultants. Stay connected with our International Outreach team and receive important university announcements, reminders, resources, event information, and guidance, all in one convenient place.

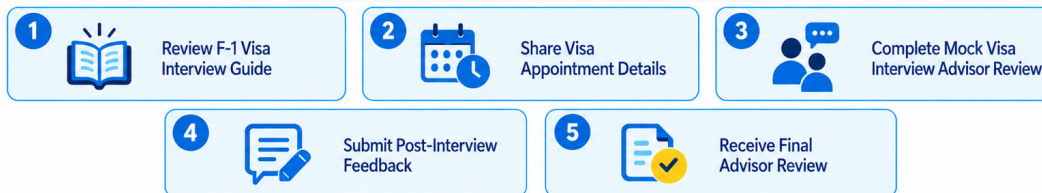
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YOUR WESTCLIFF VISA JOURNEY, SUPPORTED.

Guidance, preparation, and personal support from I-20 issuance through your visa interview



YOUR VISA SUPPORT CHECKLIST



COMPLETE THE CHECKLIST. PREPARE WITH CONFIDENCE.

Once all required items are completed and approved, you become eligible for the \$200 enrollment fee waiver.

Available to eligible incoming F-1 students after I-20 issuance. Advisor support and waiver may apply when appropriate.

Announcing our Visa Support Program

Westcliff's new Visa Support Program is officially live! Incoming F-1 applicants should now see a guided checklist in their Applicant Portal featuring visa interview resources, mock interview support, and personalized advisor review. Students who complete all required steps may also become eligible for a \$200 enrollment fee waiver.

[Review the Checklist & Interview Guide](#)

Webinar Spotlight

U.S. Visa Policy Updates:

Duration of Status Final Rule Pt. 2

KEY TOPICS COVERED:

- ✓ Duration of Status Ruling Implementation
- ✓ Key considerations for F-1 students
- ✓ How Westcliff is responding



THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 24TH | 8:00 AM & 8:00 PM PST

HOSTED BY:

DR. JOSH SCHOONOVER
DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

GRACIE CASTILLO
SENIOR INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH REPRESENTATIVE



Webinar: U.S. Visa Policy Updates: Duration of Status Final Rule Pt. 2

Missed our live webinar? Watch the full recording for an update on the new Duration of Status (D/S) ruling, what the injunction means for F-1 students, and key guidance to help education partners support prospective and current students.

[Watch the Recording](#)

Important Dates

Semester	Session	App Deadline: Incoming F1	I-20 Deferral Deadline	Start Date
Fall 2026	Session 1	Jun 8, 2026	Jun 22, 2026	Aug 31, 2026
	Session 2	Aug 3, 2026	Aug 17, 2026	Oct 26, 2026
Spring 2027	Session 3	Oct 12, 2026	Oct 26, 2026	Jan 4, 2027
	Session 4	Dec, 2026	Dec 21, 2026	Mar 1, 2027
Summer 2027	Session 5	Feb 8, 2027	Feb 22, 2027	May 3, 2027
	Session 6	Apr 5, 2027	Apr 19, 2027	Jun 28, 2027

Reminders

- **2026-2027 AY Tuition Fees:** See our [tuition & fees](#)
- **State Authorization:** WU maintains full compliance with federal, state, and WSCUC standards—learn more on our [website](#).
- **Social Media Kit:** Find premade posts you can use to up your social media game in our [WU social media kit](#).
- **IO Page:** Check out our [recruitment resources page](#).
- **Partner Feedback Form:** Share your questions, comments, and staff recognitions with WU through our [partner feedback form](#).

- **EC Portal:** Have questions or need additional training on our new application process? **Email us** to schedule your EC portal training today!
- **Duration of Status (D/S) Resources:** Review our [webpage](#) with Westcliff's latest updates, FAQs, and guidance on the D/S rule and its current legal status.



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