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OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AND SCHOLAR SERVICES

Admissions Contact Portal User Guide

USING THE OISS PORTAL

For Admissions Contacts

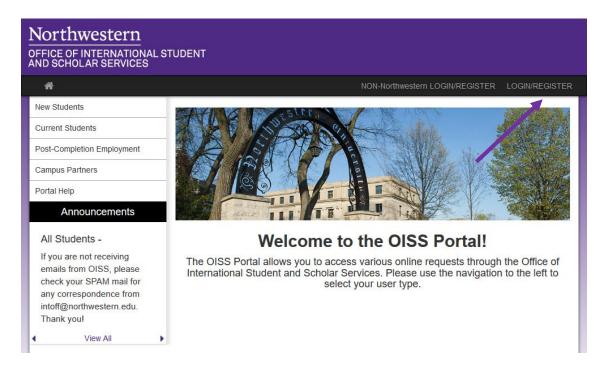
How to monitor student requests for immigration documents (I-20 or DS-2019)

After students have been admitted to an academic program, they can begin their request for an immigration document – the I-20 for F-1 students or the DS-2019 for J-1 students – with the Office of International Student and Scholar Services (OISS). Their immigration document will be needed to apply for an F-1 or J-1 visa at a US embassy or consulate and to enter the US at a port of entry.

The immigration document request can therefore serve as an indicator of which students plan to attend Northwestern. The OISS offers admissions contacts access to reports on immigration document requests in order to track students in this process.

To access the report created for your academic program(s), you will begin by logging into the OISS portal page: oissportal.northwestern.edu.

Select "Login/Register".

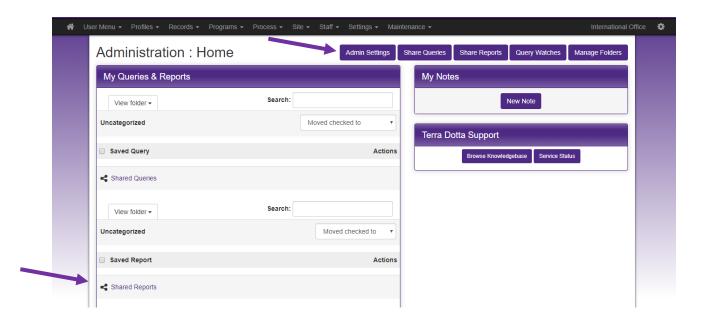


*Please note that only designated admissions contacts have access to the OISS portal. A user profile for each contact must be created by OISS staff in advance in order to access the portal.

You will be directed to Northwestern's Online Passport login screen, where you can log in with your NetID and password.

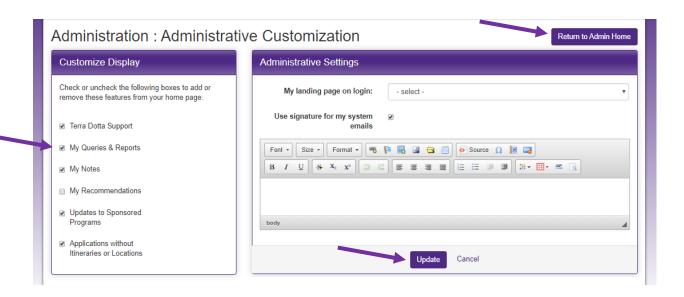


Upon logging in, you should be directed to your "Administration Home Page" and can access your report(s) by clicking on the "Shared Reports" link. If you oversee multiple academic programs, you may have links to multiple reports.

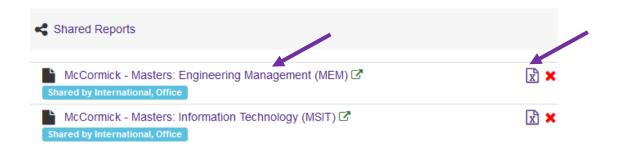


If you do not see the "My Queries & Reports" feature upon logging in, please adjust your settings by selecting "Admin Settings".

Once you are in the "Admin Settings", ensure that the box is checked for the "My Queries & Reports" feature and select "Update" to save any changes. You can then return to the "Administration Home Page" by selecting "Return to Admin Home".



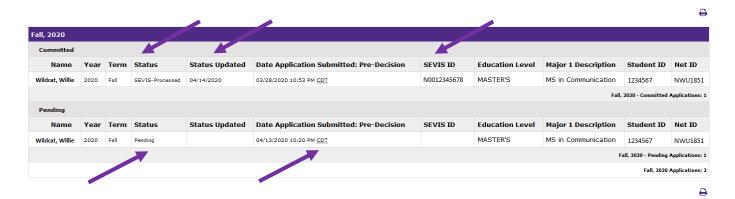
To view the report in the web browser, you can click on the report name. To download the report contents as a Microsoft Excel file, click on the Excel icon.



When viewing the report in the web browser, student requests will be organized by admission term (fall or summer), then by request status (committed or pending), and then alphabetically by each student's surname.

Committed Students:

"Committed" means that a student's immigration document has been processed by the OISS. The status will be listed as "SEVIS-Processed" and the date that the request was processed by the OISS will be indicated. The student will also have a SEVIS ID assigned to them.



Pending Students:

"Pending" means that a student has submitted an immigration document request to the OISS that has not yet been processed. The request status will be listed as "Pending" and the date that the request was submitted by the student will be indicated. Due to the large volume of immigration document requests, the OISS will process each request within 4 weeks of submission; however, some processing times may exceed 4 weeks if a student has submitted an incomplete request or if they are transferring their SEVIS ID from a different institution.

If a student does not appear on the report, it means that they have not yet submitted an immigration document request to the OISS.