Capstone International Center
International Student & Scholar Services

October 8, 2025

U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs
Consular Officer

To Whom It May Concern:

The University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Alabama (F-1 School Code ATL214F01174000, J-1 EV Program P-1-03854) requests your assistance with granting an expedited visa appointment to our student in order to facilitate their arrival on campus in time to begin Spring 2026 studies.

The important dates for Spring 2026 enrollment at The University of Alabama are as follows:

- **January 2, 2026** - New students have a report date of January 2, 2026 to allow for move-in and participation in pre-semester academic orientations.
- **January 7, 2026** - Spring 2026 Semester classes begin
- **January 14, 2026** - Last day to enroll. UA will allow all **new** and **returning** students to arrive as late as Wednesday, January 14, 2026, which is the last day to enroll in classes.

Please note, per Department of State expedited appointment priorities, The University of Alabama's international student enrollment is less than 15% of our total enrollment. As of our latest annual reporting, the 1280 international students at The University of Alabama represent only 3% of the total student population of 42,360 students - https://international.ua.edu/facts-figures/#ISSS.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding a student's admission, enrollment status, eligibility to enroll for Spring 2026, or validity of the I-20/DS-2019 in their possession please contact International Student & Scholar Services at international@ua.edu or call 205-348-5402.

If it is after hours and this is a matter of urgency for verification, please contact UA Police at 205-348-5454 and ask to be connected with the International Student & Scholar Services Office.

Sincerely,

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