

The Global Glance

A Monthly Update from the Office of Global Engagement
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Visa/Immigration

International Travel while applying for Permanent Residence

Sponsoring an employee for permanent residence ends with an employer receiving an I-140 approval notice from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. Because the employer is the applicant until this point, international travel by the sponsored employee does not impact this process. However, travel becomes more complicated after the sponsored employee can submit their own application (I-485) to become a permanent resident. If traveling abroad after the I-485 is submitted, and the employee is currently sponsored for H-1b status, they have the option of traveling and re-entering the US either with an H-1b visa or a travel document called Advanced Parole (AP).

If the I-485 is approved while the applicant is outside the U.S., the employee is generally able to enter the US through the port-of-entry without difficulty if the employee has a valid AP document. If the employee only has an H-1b Visa, the employee will often be sent to secondary inspection. Although this causes a delay entering the US, ports-of-entry have previously allowed the employee to re-enter the US using the visa even though the visa became invalid once the I-485 was approved.

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Upcoming Events and Deadlines

Nebraska Ambassadors Forum

Problems from refugee flows through famine to the attractiveness of criminal gangs demand sustainable development for solution. In many cases, development and diplomacy are intertwined in the policy response. The challenge is large as are the demands on leaders and policy. The 2023 Ambassadors Forum will consider the problems of diplomacy and sustainable development from several perspectives.

The Nebraska Ambassadors Forum will be held Monday, October 23 from 8:00-10:00 a.m. in the Truhlsen Events Center in the Sorrell Center. A continental breakfast will be provided.

Speakers include:

- Amb. Ronald E. Neumann, Former U.S. Ambassador to Algeria, Bahrain and Afghanistan
- Alonzo L. Fulgham, Former acting Administrator of USAID
- Amb. Dawn M. Liberi, Former U.S. Ambassador to Burundi
- Amb. J. Peter Pham, Former U.S. Special Envoy for the Sahel Region of Africa

Schedule:

- 8:00 – 8:30 am Continental breakfast
- 8:30 – 9:30 am Talks by Ambassadors
- 9:30 – 10:00 am Questions and Answers

All UNMC students, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend. Go to Neambassadorsforum.com for more information.

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