Fees and Checks

On 9/29/2020, the Federal District Court for the Northern District of California issued a preliminary national injunction against the enforcement of the new fee rule [1], which was scheduled to take effect on 10/2/2020. As a result, while the injunction remains in effect, the USCIS fees will not change and the processing time for Premium Processing remains at 15 calendar days instead of 15 business days. Please see this table [2] for the current USCIS filing fees. Note that, as indicated in the schedule below, because of additional work required in the Adjustment of Status process, there is an additional legal fee that is not reflected in the old fee table.

Department Responsibility

- Departments are responsible for paying the USCIS filing fees and U-M International Center processing fees associated with an immigrant or nonimmigrant petition.
- If the department requires a quick decision from USCIS, the department is responsible for paying the USCIS expedited processing fee.
- Departments must pay the U-M International Center case processing fee by University shortcode. The USCIS filing fee must be paid by U-M check made out to Department of Homeland Security and sent to the U-M International Center. Specific instructions will be provided at the point a department submits a case request.
- In the case of a cancelled request, FSIS may issue a partial refund of the IC processing fee. The amount of the refund depends on at what stage the request is cancelled.

Foreign National Responsibility

- Foreign national employees are responsible for paying USCIS filing fees associated with their dependents, and may pay this fee by credit card (if filed online), personal check, certified check or money order made out to Department of Homeland Security. The hiring unit may elect to cover this cost.
- If the foreign national elects USCIS expedited processing for his/her own (non work-related) convenience, s/he is responsible for providing a personal check to cover the fee.
- The foreign national is responsible for paying the fees related to the visa application at the U.S. consulate [3]. Note that citizens of certain countries may have to pay a visa application fee (MRV fee) as well as an additional reciprocity fee, as listed in the Department of State’s “US Visa: Reciprocity and Civil Documents by Country [4]”

Fee Schedule for Employment Based Visas
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• On 7/31/2020, USCIS announced [1] that, effective 10/2/2020, its fee structure would change and that the permissible processing time for petitions and applications filed under Premium Processing would increase from 15 calendar days to 15 business days. All petitions postmarked on or after 10/2/2020 will need to include the new filing fees, as listed below

• On 10/16/2020, USCIS announced [6] that, effective 10/19/2020, the fee for Premium Processing will be adjusted from $1,440 to $2,500. All petitions postmarked on or after 10/19/2020 will need to include the new fee.

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Other/Dependent Costs [7] (excl. cost associated w/visa application). These costs are not a department responsibility.
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## Green Card Special Handling Labor Certification
*All Positions w/ Teaching Duties*

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### Notes
- * The University of Michigan generally does not sponsor green card applications that do not require employer sponsorship, such as EB-1a, NIW or family-based applications.
- ** The AOS legal fee of $2,000 includes $1,500 for I-485 (including the I-765 and I-131) + a separate $500 for the I-944. The I-944 is a required component of the AOS process.

- Medical Exams & Vaccinations
- Pictures
- AOS: $500/adult (age 14 and up) dependent + filing fee
- I-944 filing fee for adult (age 14 and up) dependent: $250
- AOS: $350/minor under the age of 14 + filing fee
- AOS complications
- NOTE: The I-140 (Immigrant Petition) can be filed under Premium Processing. This is optional. The government filing fee for this service is $2,500.
- When filing the AOS, USCIS now charges separate filing fees for the optional EAD (I-765) and Advance Parole (I-131). While the legal fees for these applications are included in the normal legal fee, the filing fees are not. These fees may be paid by the unit. Filing fees are $490 (I-765) and $585 (I-131). [10]
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For printable PDF version of the table, refer to the Fee Schedule for Employment Based Visas [15].

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