Determining Eligibility for a Social Security Number and Card

Eligibility for a Social Security number and card varies, depending on your situation. If you need a Social Security number but are not eligible for one (based on the eligibility requirements listed below), you may apply for an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) through the U-M Payroll Office. The U-M Payroll Office [1] is located in the Wolverine Tower building (S. State and Eisenhower Streets). The ITIN is issued officially by the U.S. government (not the U-M Payroll Office) and may take several weeks or even months to receive.

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<th>Visa Type</th>
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<td>F-1 students</td>
<td>Eligible only if you have evidence of authorization for the following situations:</td>
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<td>• On-campus employment</td>
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<td>• Curricular Practical Training (C.P.T.) with C.P.T. endorsement on page 2 of your I-20 form</td>
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<td>• NOTE: F-1 students who were issued E.A.D. cards for other reasons (employment authorization due to severe economic hardship, for example) are also eligible to apply for a Social Security number.</td>
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<td>F-2 dependents</td>
<td>Not eligible to receive a Social Security number.</td>
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<td>J-1 students and scholars</td>
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<td>J-2 dependents</td>
<td>Eligible to apply for a Social Security number only if you are a J-2 dependent who has applied for work authorization and received your Employment Authorization Document (E.A.D.).</td>
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<td>H-1B employees</td>
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<td>H-4 dependents</td>
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