

# PAYING *the* USCIS IMMIGRANT FEE *using* USCIS ELIS

Foreign nationals who seek permanent residence in the United States and receive an immigrant visa need to pay the USCIS Immigrant Fee online using USCIS ELIS. The immigrant fee allows USCIS to recover the cost of processing the immigrant visa package and information as well as producing and delivering the permanent resident card after immigrant visa holders receive their visa packages from the Department of State (DOS) and are admitted to the United States.

## Receive at the U.S. Embassy

- Alien number (A#).
- DOS case ID (3 letters with 9 or 10 numbers).
- Sealed visa packet.



## Create a USCIS ELIS Account

- Go to [uscis.gov/uscis-elis](http://uscis.gov/uscis-elis).
- Follow directions to create an online account.
- Select "USCIS Immigrant Fee" and include your personal information.



New Immigrant

## Arrive with Visa Packet

- USCIS will mail your cards to you after you pay the fee and are admitted to the United States as a lawful permanent resident.



## Pay USCIS Immigrant Fee

- Pay US\$165 online.
- You can pay the fee for all family members in one transaction.



## Travel to USA



U.S. Citizenship  
and Immigration  
Services

For more information visit [www.uscis.gov/uscis-elis](http://www.uscis.gov/uscis-elis)  
or call USCIS Customer Service at 1-800-375-5283 or  
1-800-767-1833 (TDD)

