

#17-8 Site of Activity

Site of activity refers to designated physical location(s) where exchange visitors conduct their training activities as part of J-1 internship/training programs. Each program has at least one primary site of activity listed on the first page of Form DS-7002 and and Form DS-2019. Additional secondary locations can be added and attached to specific training phases as needed.

The primary site of activity is generally the same as the host's name and address. Here are some key points to note:

General knowledge

- The primary site of activity is generally the same as the host's name and address
- J-1 internships and training programs must be physical, meaning remote work is not permitted
- Participants can only engage in activities at predetermined physical site(s) as per Form DS-7002
- All sites must be located within 25 miles of the participant's residence in the US
- If a host has multiple sites, each site should be attached to a different training phase, and the information should be repeated on pages 3-5 of Form DS-7002

Site visitation

- New hosts that have fewer than 25 employees or less than three million in annual revenue (as per the primary site listed on Form DS-7002) are generally required to have a site visit
- Each listed site would require a separate visit
- Academic institutions and US government offices are exempt from site visitation
- Programs conducted at retail stores, home offices, etc. are not permitted

Speical remarks

- The primary site's name should match the host's registered business information
- Each phase's site name should be the host's name. If there is a need to differentiate between sites, indicate the difference in the name, e.g., A Company (X Department), A Company (Y Department)
- Site address must be specific, include the floor or room number if any
- If activities occur on different floors, list the floor with the primary workstation or most activity
- Site changes require 72 hours' notice and an amendment within 72 hours
- Changes to site information require updating Form DS-7002 and 2019
- Significant changes, if permitted, may incur additional processing fees

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