

## UIS: H-1B Visa/Status Processing Overview Chart

Estimated submission time to USCIS: 6 to 9 weeks.

Sponsoring department submits the [H1B Export Review Questionnaire](#) to the CU Boulder [Office of Export Controls](#).  
- Documentation from the export controls review must be submitted in the [H-1B Visa Status Request](#) (DocuSign).

**Processing Time: 2-4 weeks**



Sponsoring department submits Journal Entry to pay CU Boulder ISSS for filing the H petition.  
Email a copy to [ISSS@colorado.edu](mailto:ISSS@colorado.edu).

The sponsoring department gathers and submits a [complete H-1B packet](#) to ISSS.

ISSS reviews the *Request*. If documents are missing or additional information is needed, ISSS contacts the sponsoring department and/or H-1B beneficiary.

**ISSS Processing Time: 5 to 10 business days**

ISSS analyzes and determines an appropriate prevailing wage based on U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) requirements.

**ISSS Processing Time: 5 business days**

After the prevailing wage determination is complete, ISSS will submit a Labor Condition Application (LCA) to the DOL.

**DOL Processing Time: 7 business days**

After the LCA is certified, ISSS prepares the H-1B petition. ISSS contacts the sponsoring department staff member with a P-Card and submits the H-1B petition online to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

**USCIS Processing Time: 4-7 months for regular processing**

**15 days for [premium processing](#) unless USCIS requests additional evidence**  
[Current processing times](#)

All [H-1B fees](#) must be paid by the sponsoring department through a P-Card.

- In limited instances, the H-1B applicant may pay the premium processing fee. Contact ISSS for details.