

Visas Type	Description	Activity at UCI	Employment Restrictions
B-1/B-2	Temporary Business Visitor/ Temporary Visitor for Tourism	Short visit for purpose of consulting, attend a convention or conference, doing a lecture, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No employment or academic appointment. Reimbursement, per diem and/or honoraria possible for “usual academic activities” may be possible subject to restrictions. Contact Accounting & Fiscal Services for information about payments.
WB/WT	Temporary Business visitor or tourist from countries that participate in the visa waiver program.		
F-1	UCI Student with I-20 issued by UCI	Admitted student enrolled in a degree program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-campus employment limited to 20 hours/week. Off campus, only with permission from DHS after 9 months in student status.
	I-20 not issued by UCI. Student at another institution with authorization to be at UCI.	Engaged in employment related to degree.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optional Practical Training – must have Employment Authorization Card (EAD) Curricular Practical Training- must have I-20 listed UCI as employer.
H1-B	Temporary Worker in Specialty Occupation	Tenure-track faculty positions, other approved academic titles. Staff titles may be possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May only be employed at UCI if UCI filed H-1B petition. Limited to job duties, location & other conditions as indicated on petition.
J-1	Exchange Visitor	Professor, Researchers or Short- Term scholars. Specific appointment requirements; some may be here on collaborative institutional agreements. No medical/clinical training, except for ECFMG sponsored.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must hold academic appointment. Collaborative institutional agreements may have specific requirements.
	Students. DS-2019 issued by UCI for government agency for purpose of attending degree program.	Students: degree seeking students; and UC Reciprocity Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-campus employment limited to 20 hours/week. Off-campus employment only if authorized based on restrictions from Department of State.
	DS-2019 not issued by UCI; but has authorization from J-1 sponsor to be at UCI.	Engaged in activity as specified on DS-2019. Medical/Clinical Training if ECFMG sponsored.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May only be at UCI if authorized by program sponsor. Authorization will be in form of letter and/or indicated on DS-2019.
TN	Visa for Canadian and Mexican NAFTA Professional Workers.	Engaged in an activity that is consistent with a TN NAFTA Profession.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visa must have been obtained with UCI as the employer. Employment is restricted to a profession in the TN NAFTA List. I-94 Document must list UCI as the employer.

This information is provided for general overview of commonly used visa categories at UCI. Information is subject to change and may not apply to all situations.