



# Visas for Business in the United States



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The business visa (B1) allows a traveler to go to the United States temporarily to engage in commercial transactions, negotiate contracts, conduct litigations, consult with business associates, or participate in scientific, educational, professional conferences or seminars.

- Applicants must demonstrate to consular officer that the purpose of the trip is legitimate.
- Cannot engage in any activity except for what is allowed by the visa.
- They must also demonstrate that they have strong ties to Romania.
- Cannot remain in the U.S. to manage business.
- Will receive no salary or income from a U.S based company.





## Forms and Documentation

### Required:

- ✓ Online Nonimmigrant Visa Electronic Application, Form DS-160
- ✓ A valid passport
- ✓ Bank receipt for the MRV fee
- ✓ One photograph – 50 mm x 50mm

**Fee: \$160**



# Forms and Documentation

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## Optional:

- ✓ Letter of invitation from U.S based company or conference
- ✓ Proof of employment
- ✓ If self-employed, business documents including recent bank statements, proof of ownership, balance sheet and/or statement of income and revenue



# E Visa – Treaty Investor

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- The investment must be substantial
- The investment must be a real operating enterprise
- The investor must be coming to the U.S. to develop and direct the enterprise



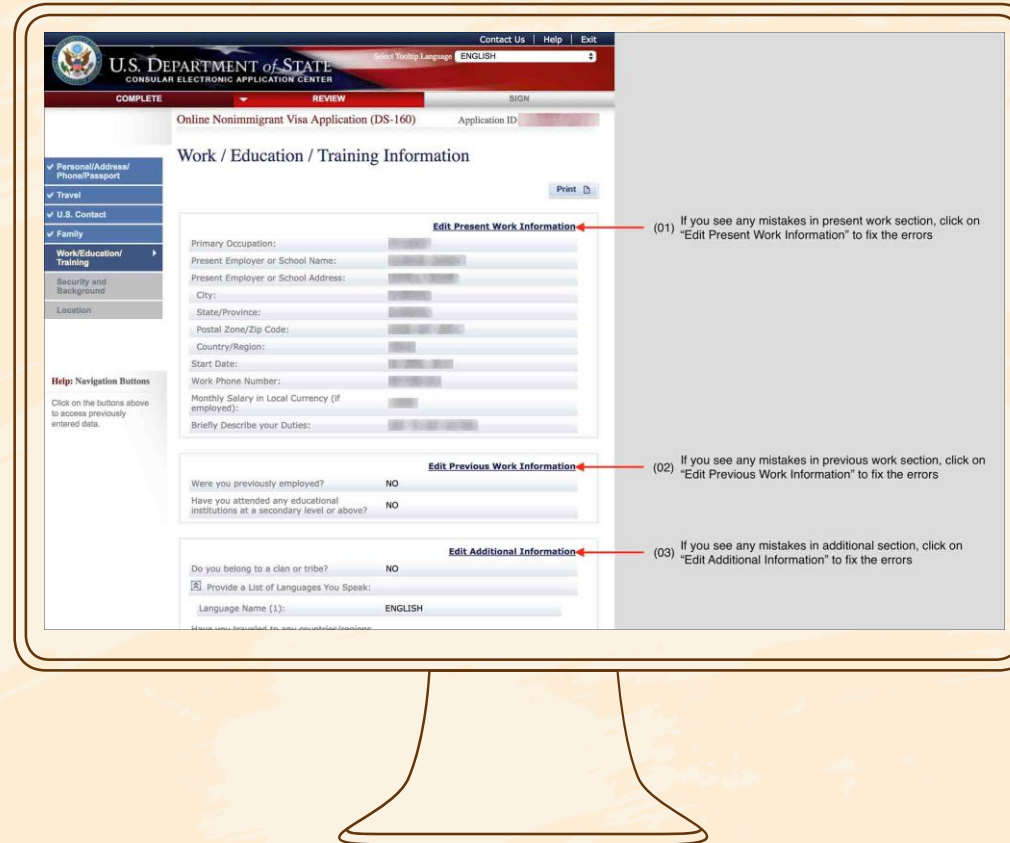
- Speculative or idle investment does not qualify
- Loans secured with the assets of the investment enterprise are not allowed
- Ordinary skilled and unskilled workers do not qualify

Treaty investor applicants must meet specific requirements to qualify for a treaty investor (E-2) visa under immigration law. The consular office will determine whether a treaty investor applicant qualifies for a visa.



# Forms and Documents

- Online Nonimmigrant Visa Electronic Application, Form DS-160
- Nonimmigrant Treaty Trader/Treaty Investor Application, Form DS-156E, completed and signed, if you are an Executive/Manager/Essential Employee



- A passport valid for travel to the U.S If more than one person is included in the passport, each person must be complete a Form DS-160 application
- One photograph

**Fees: \$205**



# H1-B Temporary Worker in a Specialty Occupation

A specialty occupation requires the attainment of a bachelor's or higher degree in the specific specialty for entry into the occupation.

This is a petition-based application requiring approval from both the Department of Labor and the Department of Homeland Security.

Must have completed such a degree or have experience in the specialty equivalent to the completion of the degree and expertise in the specialty through progressively responsible positions relating to the specialty.

H-1B aliens are not required to have a residence abroad which they have no intention of abandoning.



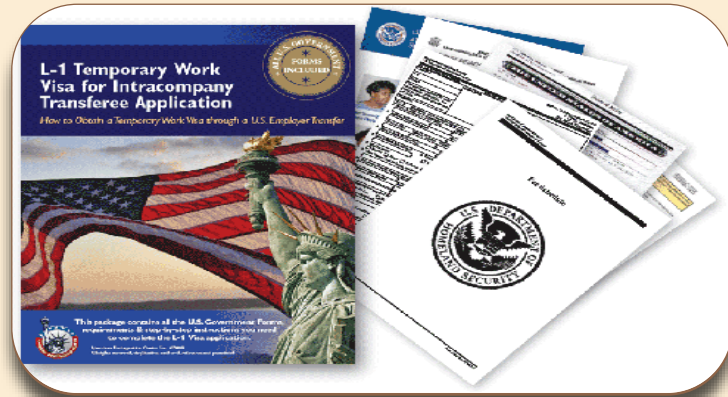
# Forms and Documents

- ✓ Online Nonimmigrant Visa Electronic Application, Form DS-160 – this must be completed at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled appointment.
- ✓ A valid passport
- ✓ Receipt for the MRV fee paid at any Banca Transilvania branch
- ✓ One photograph
- ✓ A copy of qualifications to perform the job (bachelor's diploma or equivalent, work experience, etc.)
- ✓ A letter from the employee

**FEE: \$190**







# L – Visa Intracompany Transferees

- Within the three preceding years, have been employed abroad continuously for one year.
- Will be employed by a branch, parent, affiliate, or subsidiary of that same employer in the U.S. in a managerial, executive, or specialized knowledge capacity.
- This is a petition-based application
- Not required to have a residence abroad which they have no intention of abandoning.

The L visa is issued to employees of multi-national firms that have offices in the United States to work temporarily for the company in the United States.



# Forms and Documentation

- ✓ Online Nonimmigrant Visa Electronic Application, Form DS-160
- ✓ A valid passport
- ✓ Receipt for the MRV fee
- ✓ One photograph
- ✓ A copy for the Form I-129 Notice of Approval
- ✓ Proof of Employment with the petitioning company for one continuous year
- ✓ Proof that the beneficiary is not coming to open or be employed in a new office
- ✓ Proof of employment in an executive or management capacity, or specialized knowledge in the field

**Fees: Vary  
depending on the  
petition**



# Be Prepared and Be Honest

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- Plan Ahead!
  - Follow the instructions for the visa you are requesting
- Don't misrepresent yourself, your purpose of travel or your intent
- Bring all the required documents with you to the interview

Please bear in mind current long wait times due to a backlog in demand

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Emergency requests may be made through [ustraveldocs.com/ro](https://ustraveldocs.com/ro)

The Consular Section sets aside 5 appointments per week for AmCham to facilitate appointments



# NIEs

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- Among the qualifications for NIEs are those traveling to provide vital support or executive direction to critical infrastructure; those traveling to provide vital support or executive direction for significant economic activity in the United States.
- ***Please note:*** Travelers with a U.S. visa who are from, or currently are outside the EU are not permitted to transit Schengen Area airports on their way to the United States. Transiting the Schengen Area subjects travelers to travel restrictions regardless of their initial departure place.





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**Romania**

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