NY State ID Card or Driver’s License – F-1 Students

**Step 1:** Social Security Office to receive a letter that says you are NOT eligible for a Social Security number.

You must bring the following documents with you to the Social Security Office:

- A copy of your official transcript (from the Office of the Registrar located on the 4th floor of the 43rd Street Building. Costs $10)
- Student ID Card, Passport, I-20, I-94
- For Students with On-Campus Employment, you must bring a letter from a designated school official and a letter from employer
- For students authorized for Optional Practical Training (OPT), you must bring your Employment Authorization Document (EAD card)

Social Security Office
123 William Street, 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10038

Office Hours: Monday-Friday (7:00AM – 4:00PM)
The office is between Fulton and John Streets near the 2,3,4,5,A,C,R and Z subway lines and the PATH train.

**Step 2:** Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)

You must bring the following documents with you to the DMV that total 6 points:

- Letter from the Social Security Office issued within 30 days of your application to the DMV (MUST bring this)
- Passport, F-1 Visa, I-20 and Most Recent I-94 Printout (3 points)
- Student ID Card and Transcript (2 points)
- U.S. Health Insurance Card (1 point)
- U.S. Utility Bill (must include your name and address, 1 point)
- ONE of the following (1 point):
  - U.S. bank card (ATM or credit card)
  - U.S. bank statement

**If applying for a Driver’s License you must first take a written test to receive a permit. Please be prepared to take the test before you go to the DMV with the above documents. Information on how to receive a permit is available at:** [https://dmv.ny.gov/driver-license/get-learner-permit](https://dmv.ny.gov/driver-license/get-learner-permit)

New York State Department of Motor Vehicles (NYSDMV) – Midtown Manhattan
366 West 31st Street (Between 8th & 9th Avenues)
New York, NY 10001
Office Hours: Monday – Friday (8:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
You may visit [http://dmv.ny.gov/office/midtown-manhattan](http://dmv.ny.gov/office/midtown-manhattan) to make a reservation