



## Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson, President

Dear Spartan Community,

Over the past week we learned that the federal government has revoked the F-1 visas and terminated the [Student and Exchange Visitor Information System \(SEVIS\)](#) record of thirteen San José State University international students. These federal actions appear to be part of a broader effort affecting international students nationwide. The number of impacted individuals at San José State may grow as we continue to receive updates. Please know, we are actively monitoring the situation and ensuring that students and recent graduates who have been impacted are receiving appropriate individual support and guidance, including connections to legal resources.

Additionally, as part of ongoing federal changes, we are aware of updated Department of Homeland Security (DHS) practices that include monitoring social media activity as part of certain immigration case reviews, which are effective immediately. [Read the DHS news release here.](#)

As an immediate response, the [Office of International Student and Scholar Services](#) (ISSS) is monitoring the SEVIS record system and contacting any students who might be impacted by a change in their status. Students do not need to reach out to ISSS, as ISSS is contacting all impacted students.

International students are an invaluable part of our campus community, bringing vibrancy, innovation, energy and cultural enrichment to our Spartan Life. Our university prides itself on being a place of global citizenry and engagement.

San José State remains firmly committed to maintaining an environment where all members of our campus community feel supported and respected—regardless of immigration or visa status. We continue to collaborate closely with the CSU system, legal resources, and our campus partners to respond thoughtfully and responsibly as the situation unfolds.

We want to ensure that all members of our community—especially those who may be directly affected—know where to find support and information:

- [CSU Systemwide Resource Page](#)
  - Includes systemwide links to individual campus resources, international travel guidance, federal updates, and support for undocumented students.
- [San José State University](#)
  - Contains information, tools, and support services for undocumented students, as well as for faculty and staff who work with impacted populations.
- [SJSU Cares](#)
  - Provides individualized assistance and connects students with campus and community resources to help navigate difficult or complex circumstances.

We remain steadfast in upholding the dignity and privacy of our community while acting in accordance with the law and our institutional values.

We recognize the concern this news may bring. Please know that our [International Student and Scholar Services program](#), which works with the 4,000 international

students on campus, is prepared to provide support, answer questions, and is a reliable source of guidance and care as we navigate this situation together. We also want to remind our entire student body that emotional and mental wellness resources are always available through [SJSU Counseling and Psychological Services \(CAPS\)](#), should you need someone to talk to during this time.

Sincerely,



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