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## I-485: Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status

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### Fee:

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\$1,225 (\$1,140 + \$85 biometrics fee for those ages 14-78)  
*If under 14, and applying with a parent, fee is \$750*  
*If 79 or older, fee is \$1140*

### Required Documents:

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- Criminal History Evidence (if applicable) (*see [instructions](#)*)
- Birth Certificate
- Copy of passport page with nonimmigrant visa if issued *within the past year*
- 2 passport-style photos
- Biometrics services
- Police clearances (members of a special class)
- Medical Examination (Form I-693)
- Exceptions are (1) refugees, and (2) fiancé(e)s who have had a medical exam in the past year. Need only submit a vaccination supplement with application.
- G-325A Biographic Information Sheet (for those between the ages of 14 and 79)
- Affidavit of Support, Form I-864 (applies to fiancé(e)s, relative visa petitions (Form I-130), or employment-based petitions I-140)
- Confirmation of Bona Fide Job Offer or Request for Job Portability (in cases of employment-based visa petitions)
- Evidence of Eligibility (*see instructions*)
- Application for Employment Authorization, Form I-765 (optional but recommended)
- Application for Travel Document, Form I-131 (optional but recommended)
- Application by Refugee for Waiver of Grounds of Excludability, Form I-602 (applicable asylum applicants)
- Form I-485 Supplement E, T and U Nonimmigrants (if applicable)

### Required documents for immediate relatives of US citizens

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- Two passport style photographs
- A copy of your government-issued identity document with photograph
- A copy of your birth certificate. *If it is unavailable or does not exist, submit other acceptable evidence of birth such as church, school, or medical records, and proof of unavailability or nonexistence.*

- Inspection and admission, or inspection and parole documentation (unless applying for adjustment under INA 245(i)). For more information and examples, please see the form instructions.
- Documentation of immigrant category, such as a copy of Form I-797, Approval or Receipt Notice, for the Form I-130 filed on your behalf (unless you are filing your Form I-485 with the Form I-130 filed on your behalf)
- Form I-864, Affidavit of Support
- If applicable also include:*
  - Certified police and court records of all criminal charges, arrests, or convictions regardless of final disposition
  - Form I-601, Application for Waiver of Grounds of Inadmissibility
  - Form I-212, Application for Permission to Reapply for Admission into the United States After Deportation or Removal
  - Documentation regarding J-1 and J-2 exchange visitor status (Form I-612)
  - Form I-508, Waiver of Diplomatic Rights, Privileges, Exemptions, and Immunities
  - Form I-566, Interagency Record of Request – A, G, or NATO Dependent Employment Authorization or Change/Adjustment to/from A, G, or NATO Status (only if you have A, G, or NATO nonimmigrant status).
  - Form I-485 Supplement A, Adjustment of Status Under Section 245(i) (Supplement A)

### Required documents for family-preference applicant

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- Everything listed above for immediate relatives
- Proof you have continuously maintained a lawful status since arriving in the U.S
- A copy of documentation showing your relationship to the principal applicant, such as a marriage certificate, birth certificate, or adoption decree
  - If your marriage certificate is unavailable or does not exist, submit other acceptable evidence such as church records and proof of unavailability or nonexistence.
- A copy of the Form I-797, Approval or Receipt Notice, for the principal applicant's Form I 130 (unless you are filing your Form I-485 together with the principal applicant's Form I 485)
- A copy of the Form I-797, Approval or Receipt Notice, for the principal applicant's Form I 485 or a copy of the principal applicant's Green Card (if not filing together with the principal applicant's Form I-485)

## Employment based I-485 Applicants

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### Required documents for Principals:

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- Two passport-style photographs
- A copy of a government-issued identity document with photograph
- A copy of your birth certificate (if unavailable or does not exist, provide other acceptable evidence of birth such as church, school, or medical records, and proof of unavailability or nonexistence, if applicable)
- Inspection and admission, or inspection and parole documentation (unless applying for adjustment under INA 245(i)). For more information or examples, please refer to the form instructions.
- Documentation of immigrant category, such as a copy of Form I-797, Approval or Receipt Notice, for the immigrant petition (unless you are filing your Form I-485 with the petition, such as Form I-140)
- Evidence you continually maintained a lawful status since arriving in the United States (or that you are exempt under 245(k) from the INA 245(c)(2), (7) and (8) bars)
- Confirmation of job offer (on Form I-485 Supplement J (if applicable))
- A signed statement confirming you intend to work in the occupational field specified in the Form I-140 if you are a self-petitioner
- Form I-864, Affidavit of Support
- If Applicable:***
  - Certified police and court records of all criminal charges, arrests, or convictions regardless of final disposition (if applicable)
  - Form I-601, Waiver of Inadmissibility (if applicable)
  - Form I-212, Application for Permission to Reapply for Admission into the United States After Deportation or Removal (if applicable)
  - Documentation regarding J-1 and J-2 exchange visitor status (Form I-612, if applicable)
  - Form I-508, Waiver of Diplomatic Rights, Privileges, Exemptions, and Immunities
  - Form I-566, Interagency Record of Request – A, G, or NATO Dependent Employment Authorization or Change/Adjustment to/from A, G, or NATO Status (only if you have A, G, or NATO nonimmigrant status)
  - Form I-485 Supplement A (if applicable)

### Required documents for Derivative Applicants:

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- Items listed above for principal applicants (except Supplement J or signed statement for self-petitioners);
- A copy of your marriage certificate to the principal applicant or proof of relationship as a child to the principal applicant



- If you are a spouse of the principal applicant and your marriage certificate is unavailable or does not exist, evidence demonstrating its unavailability/nonexistence and other acceptable evidence of marriage (such as church records)
- Evidence you terminated your previous marriage (if applicable)
- Documentation of the principal applicant's immigrant category (unless you are filing your Form I-485 together with the principal applicant's Form I-485)
- Documentation of the principal applicant's Form I-485 or copy of the principal applicant's Green Card (if not filing together with the principal applicant's Form I-485).

*(For additional category-specific requirements, see [immahelp.com](http://immahelp.com) I-485 document checklist.)*

## **Filing Address:**

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### **For U.S. Postal Service (USPS):**

USCIS  
PO Box 805887  
Chicago, IL 60680-4120

### **For FedEx, UPS, and DHL deliveries:**

USCIS  
Attn: FBAS  
131 South Dearborn - 3rd Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603-5517

*When applicable, you must include a copy of the Form I-797 Notice, showing that your Form I-130 or Form I-360 was accepted or approved.*