TYPES OF IDENTIFICATION

I. Illinois Driver’s License
If you plan to drive or own a vehicle while studying in the United States, you are legally required to have a state-issued Driver’s License. A state-issued driver’s license serves as both a license to drive and a form of identification. In order to obtain a driver’s license, you must pass a written exam and a road test. If you are under 21 years old, please refer to the steps for Graduated Drivers Licenses.

II. Illinois State I.D.
Although a local State I.D. is not required, it can be very useful to carry for purposes such as banking, traveling domestically, etc. However, a State I.D. serves as a form of identification ONLY and does not authorize you to drive. There is no minimum age to obtain a State I.D.

Illinois Driver’s Licenses and State I.D.s are processed directly at a local Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). You must wait at least 10 days after your Immigration Check-In at Loyola University Chicago to be able to apply for a Driver’s License or State I.D. As international students, your Driver’s License or State I.D. will be valid up to three years, or up to your program end date stated in your I-20 (whichever is sooner).

To apply at the DMV, you must present:
- Your most current and signed I-20,
- Your most current I-94 Arrival/Departure Record,
- A form of payment (cash or check) for processing fees, and
- Documents that satisfy each of classified groups (see chart below)

Please see the complete list of required documents issued by the Secretary of State. The chart below is a summarized list of documents that may be applicable to international students. One document may satisfy more than one group.

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For the most updated and detailed instructions on how to attain the State I.D., Drivers’ License, or Temporary Visitors Driver’s License, please refer to Secretary of State Website.

HOW TO OBTAIN FORM L676/LETTER OF INELIGIBILITY FOR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

1. Take the following documents to a Social Security Administration office:
   - Passport
   - Your most recent I-94 (retrieve from https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov)
   - Your current I-20
   - Proof of local residency (rental lease, official letters, bank statements, bills, etc.)

2. Ask the SSA officer for Form L676 / Letter of Ineligibility for SSN for the purpose of applying for Driver’s License. This letter is valid for up to 30 days.

List of Social Security Administration office addresses:

- Uptown - 2127 W Lawrence Ave, Chicago, IL 60625
- Evanston - 2116 Green Bay Rd, Evanston, IL 60201
- Logan Square - 3260 W Fullerton Ave, Chicago, IL 60647
- Loop (Downtown) - 605 W Washington Blvd, Chicago, IL 60661
- West Loop - 1233 W Adams St, Chicago, IL 60607
- Maywood Campus - 7222 W Cermak Rd #600, North Riverside, IL 60546