

Excerpt from AILA meeting with USCIS Nebraska Service Center (NSC) on April 26, 2007 regarding E-2 dependent child attending school:

Do students with E2 need to change their status to F1 in order to attend colleges?

Answer from NSC: The regulations do not preclude E2 nonimmigrants from pursuing a course of study either full-time or part-time. However, the E2 needs to remain cognizant of the rules governing his/her status, including age requirements surrounding eligibility for the class to ensure that a timely change of status application is filed if he/she nears the end of eligibility for E2 classification. In addition, the E2 nonimmigrant should be aware that he/she will not be eligible for any form of practical training while in E2 status. Only students in valid F-1 status are eligible for curricular and/or optional practical training.