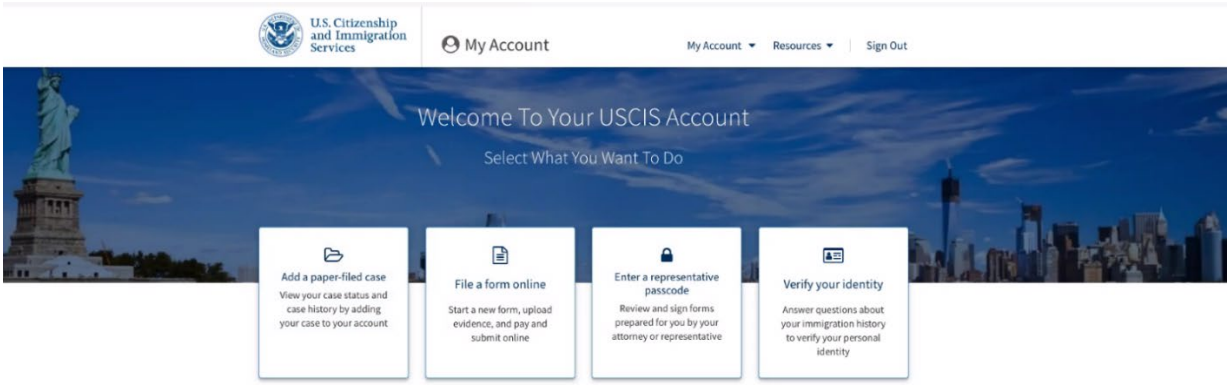
Start Online I-765 application

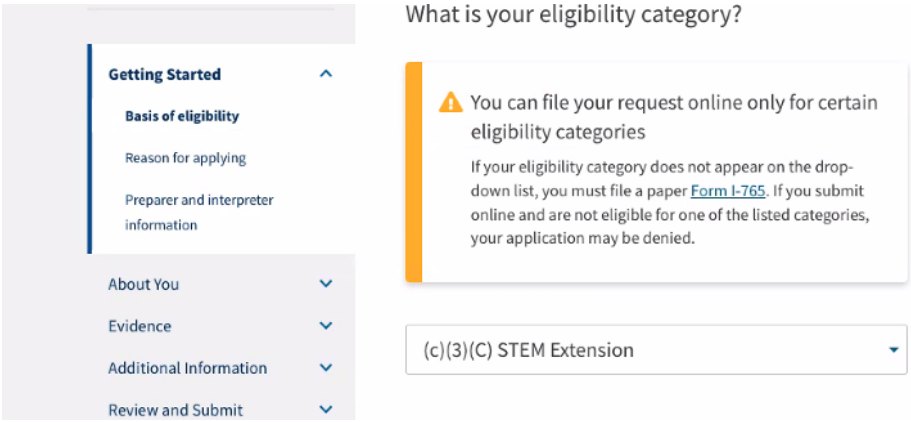
Please remember: DO NOT submit your I-765 application to USCIS before receiving your OPT I-20 from UW ISS.

1. Create an account with USCIS. See their tutorial.
2. Click 'File a Form Online'

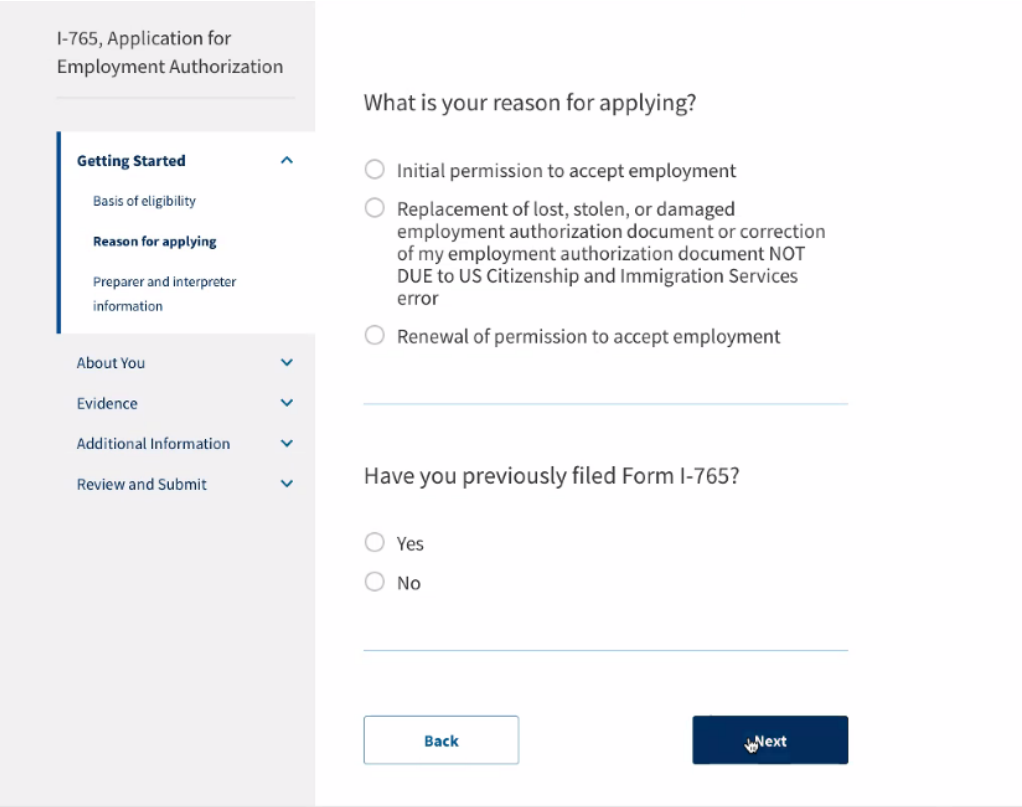


3. Choose I-765, Application for Employment Authorization Read and review the information in the next screens and click Next

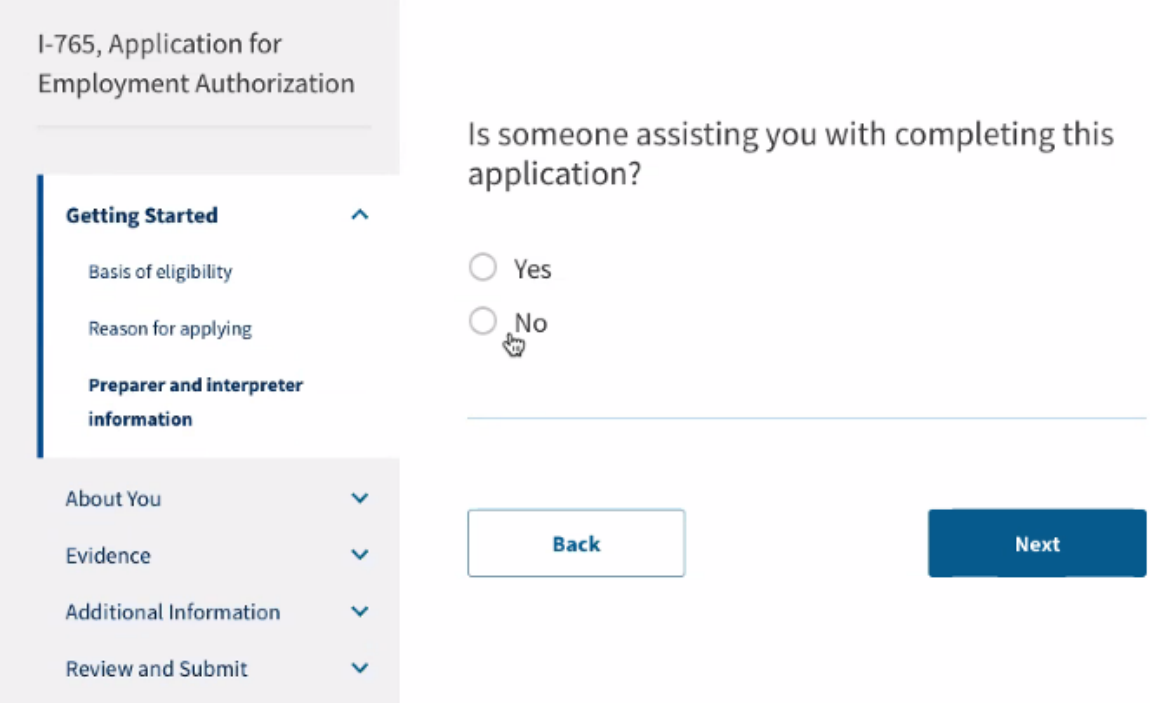
4. For Post- completion OPT select c(3)(B). For STEM extension OPT select c(3)(C) STEM Extension and enter your full degree.



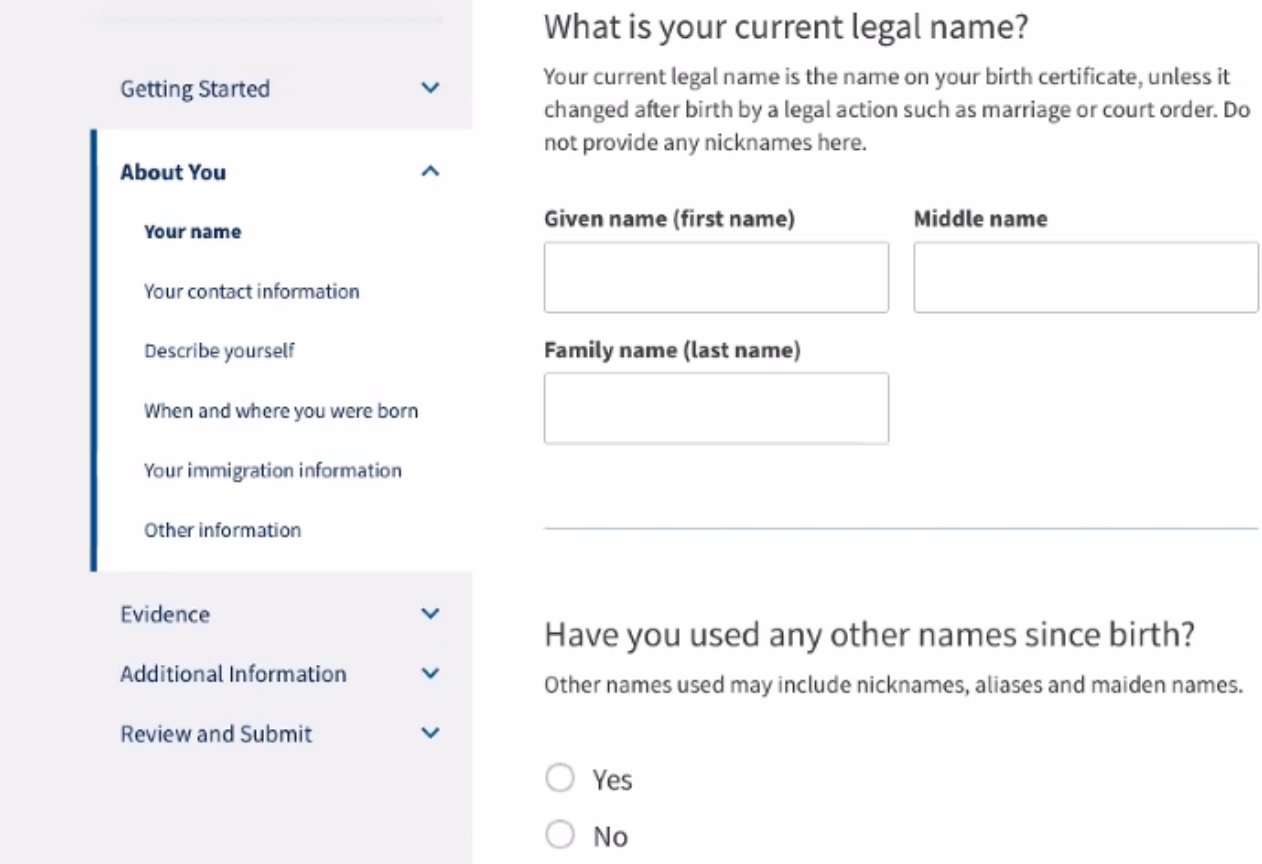
5. If you're applying for Post completion OPT select 'Initial Permission to accept Employment'. If you're applying for STEM extension select 'Renewal of Permission to Accept Employment' extension and 'Yes'.



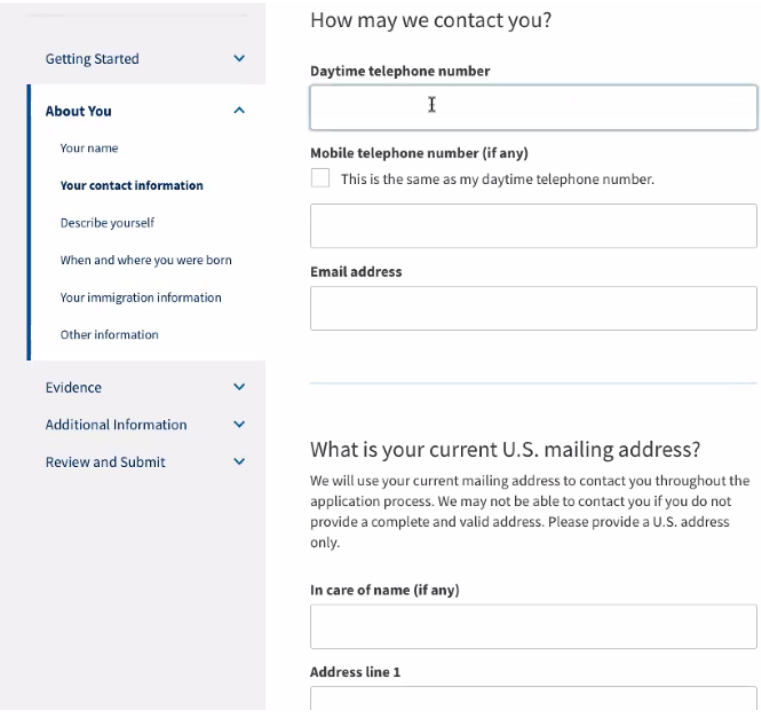
6. If someone is helping you complete your application, you will need to enter information about them too.



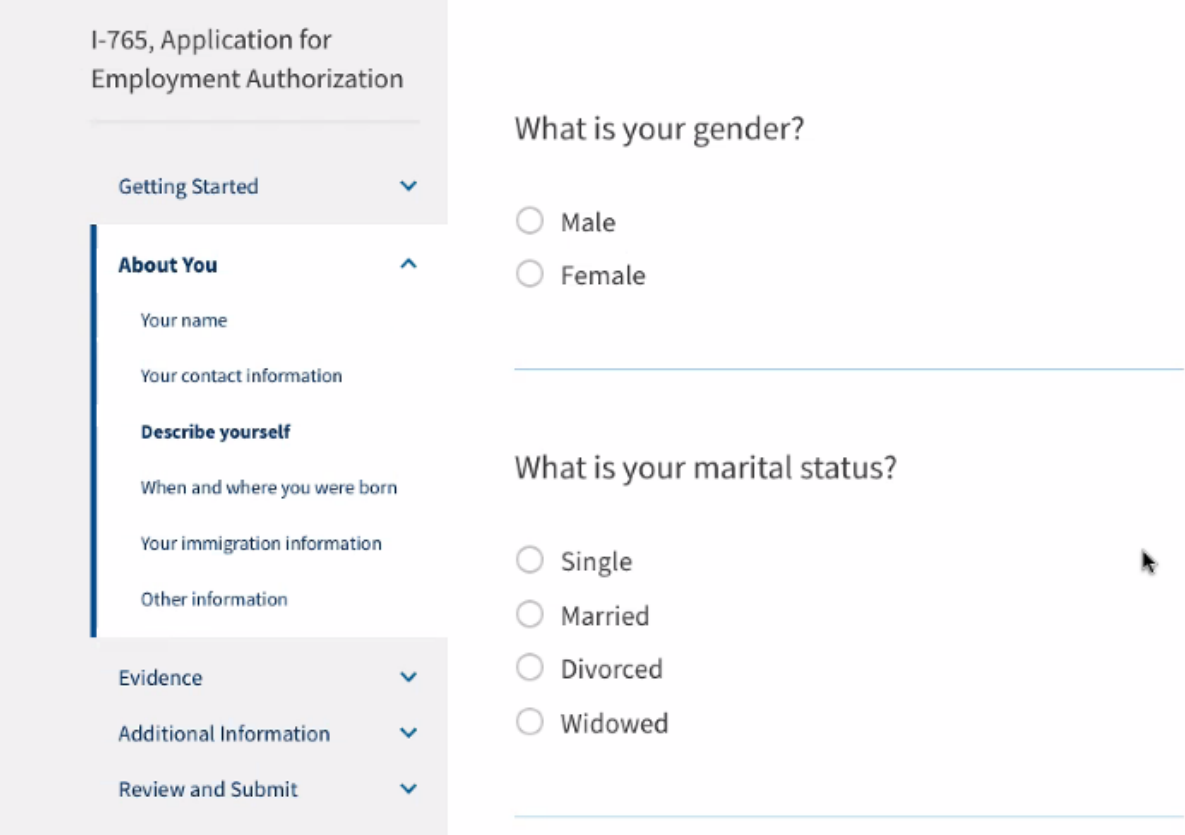
7. Answer questions about you

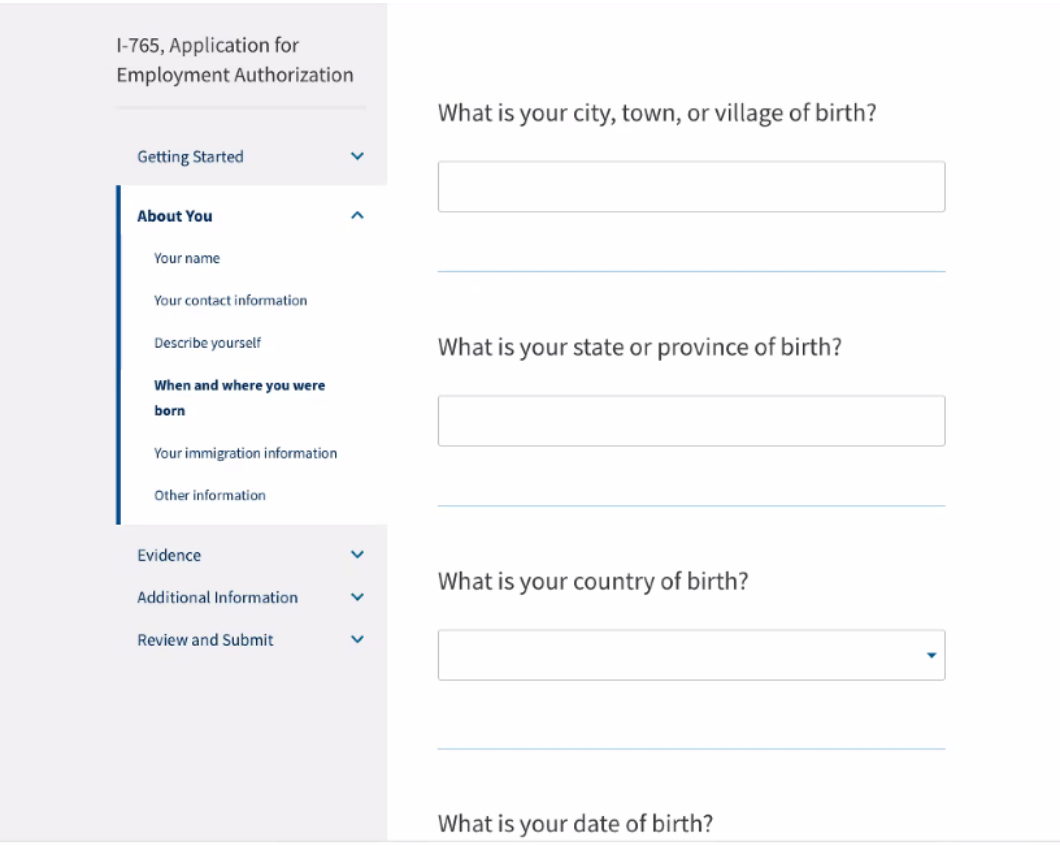


8. Add your contact information

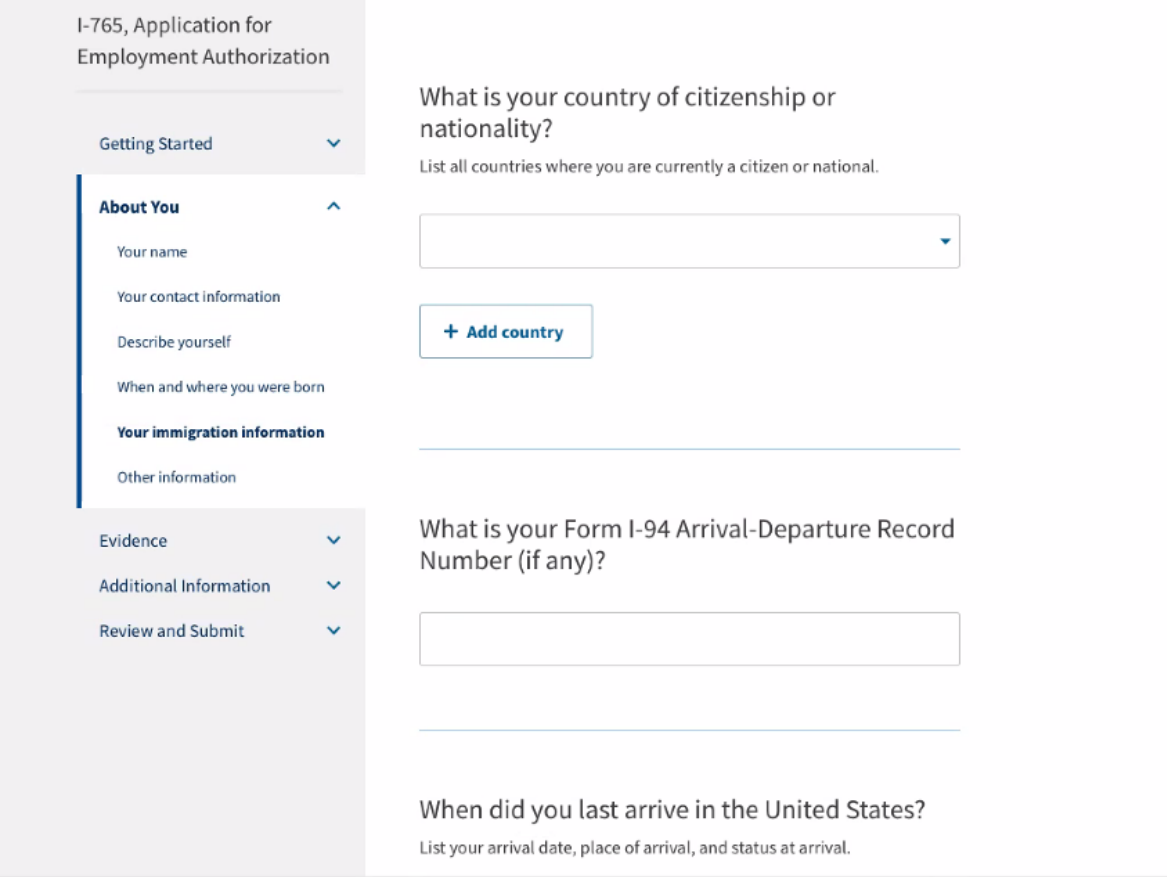


9. Answer more questions about you

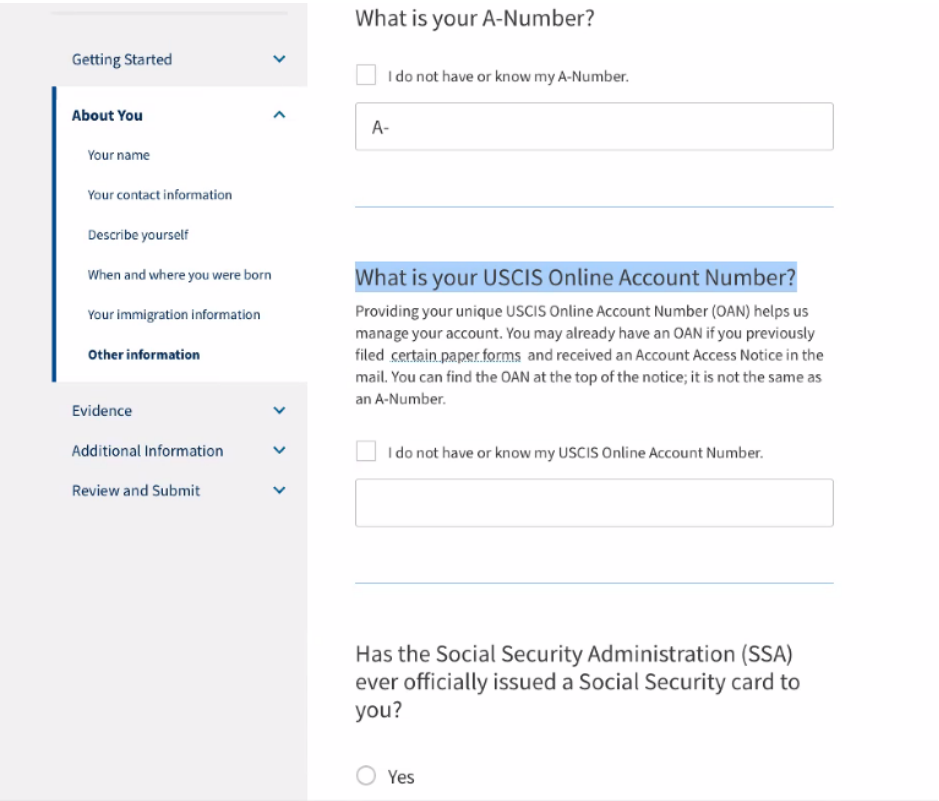




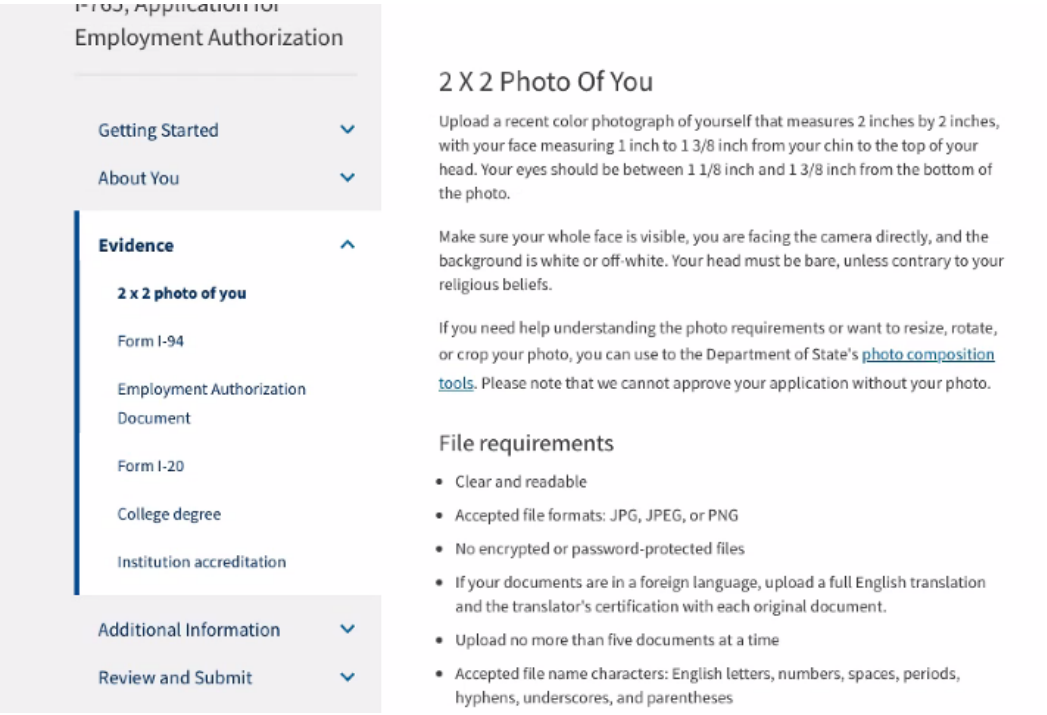
10. Enter your Immigration status information



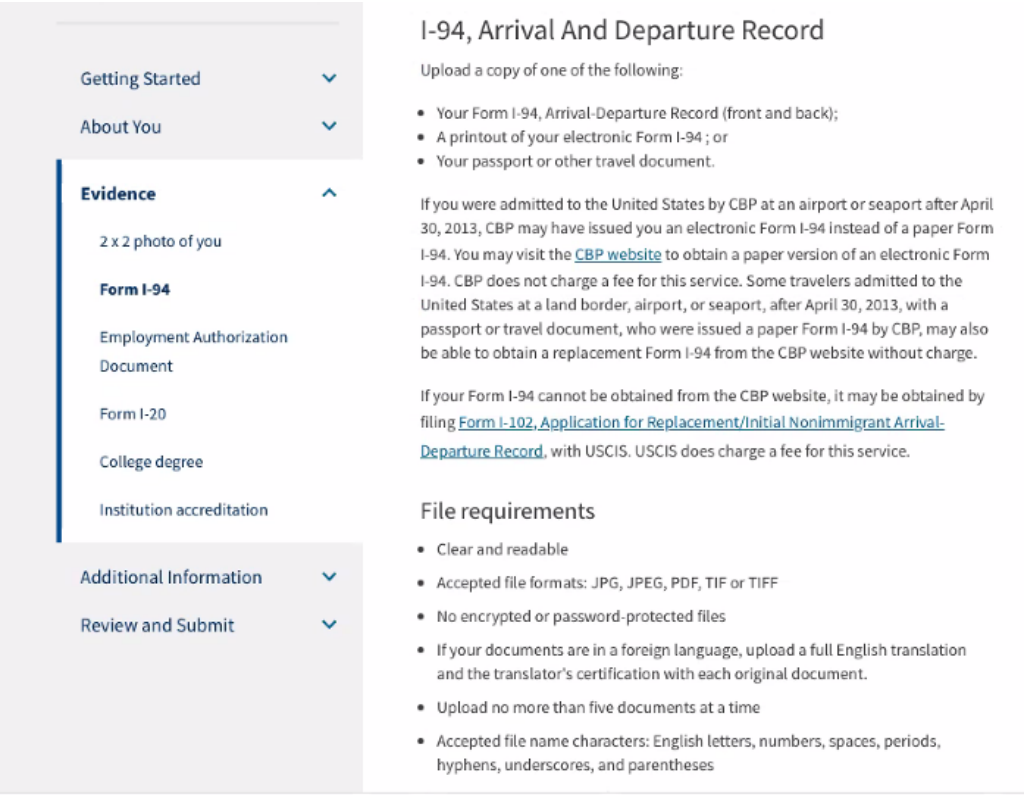
11. Enter additional information. Most students won't have an A- Number.



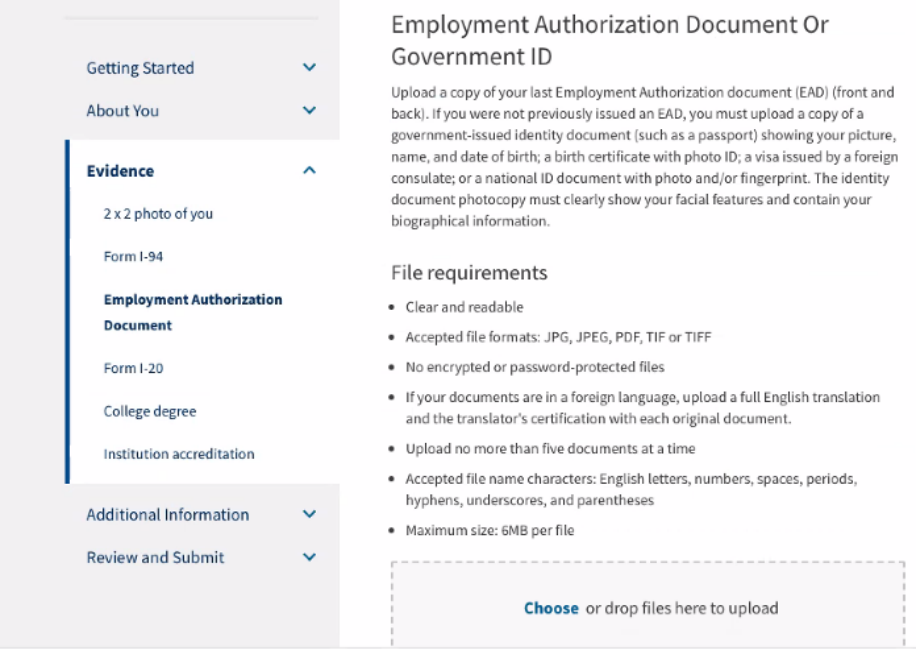
12. Upload a 2 x 2 Photo of You. If you're creating the draft to submit for review you can skip this for now.



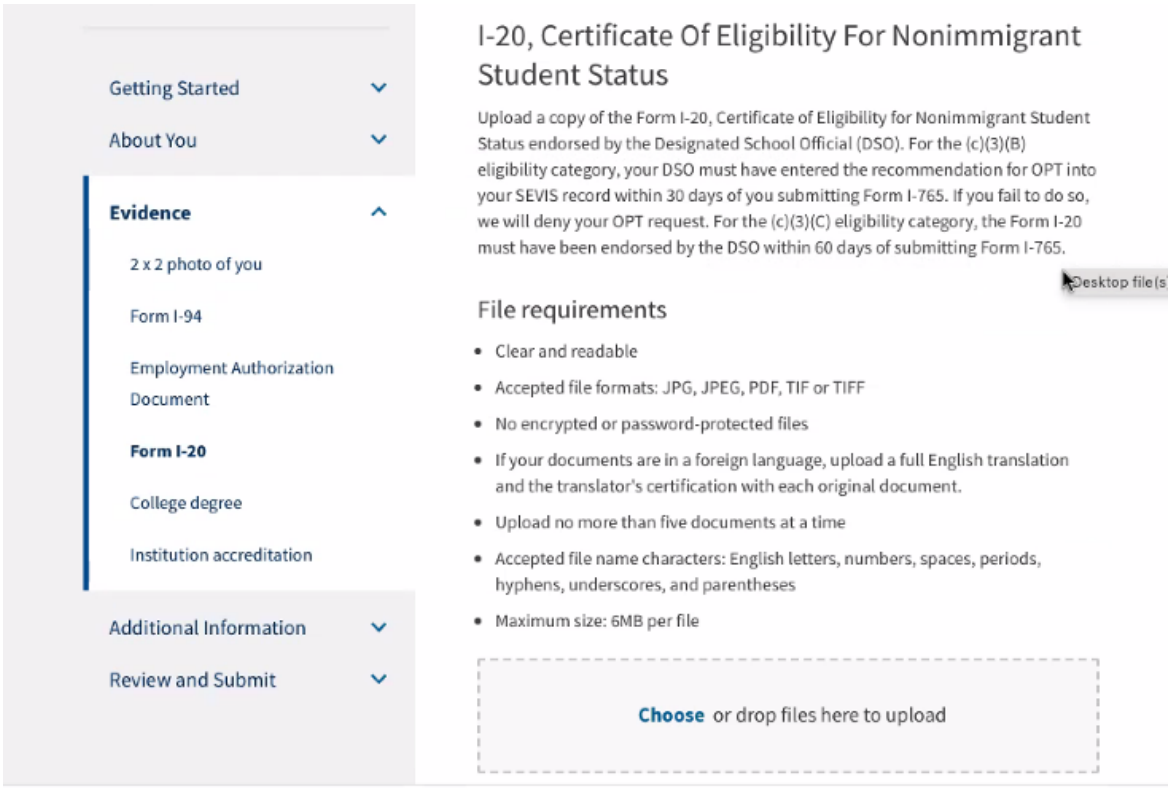
13. Upload your I-94. If you're creating the draft to submit for review you can skip this for now.



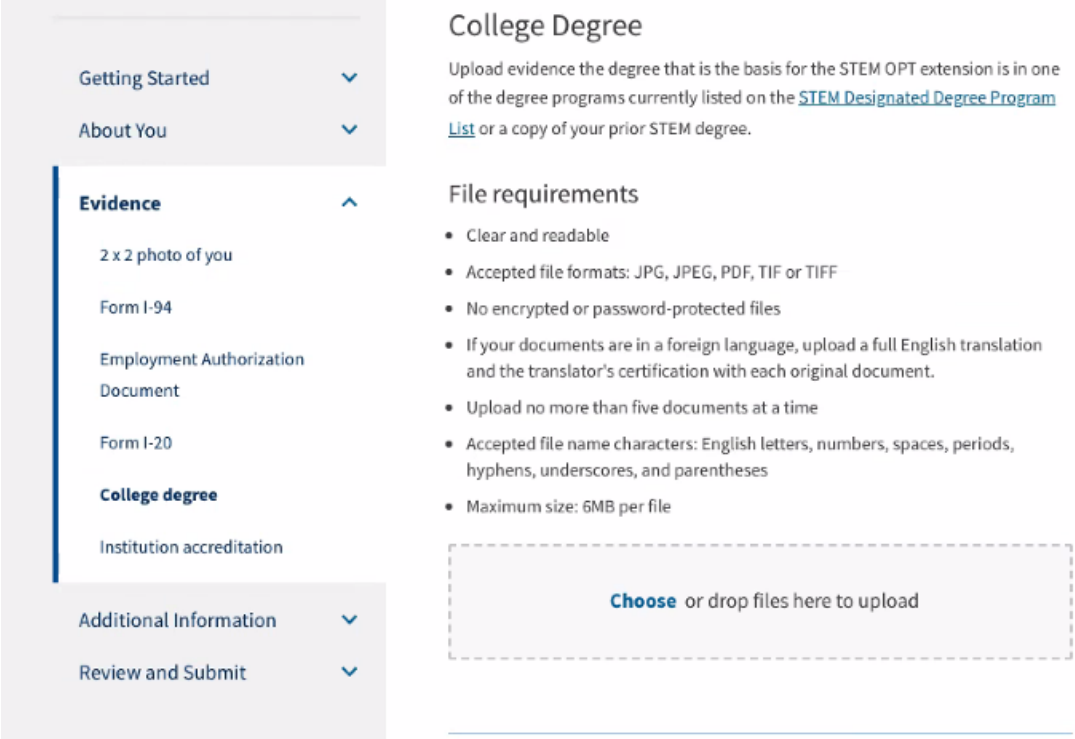
14. Upload a copy of EAD card, if you don't have it include a copy of your passport bio page and visa. If you're creating the draft to submit for review you can skip this for now.



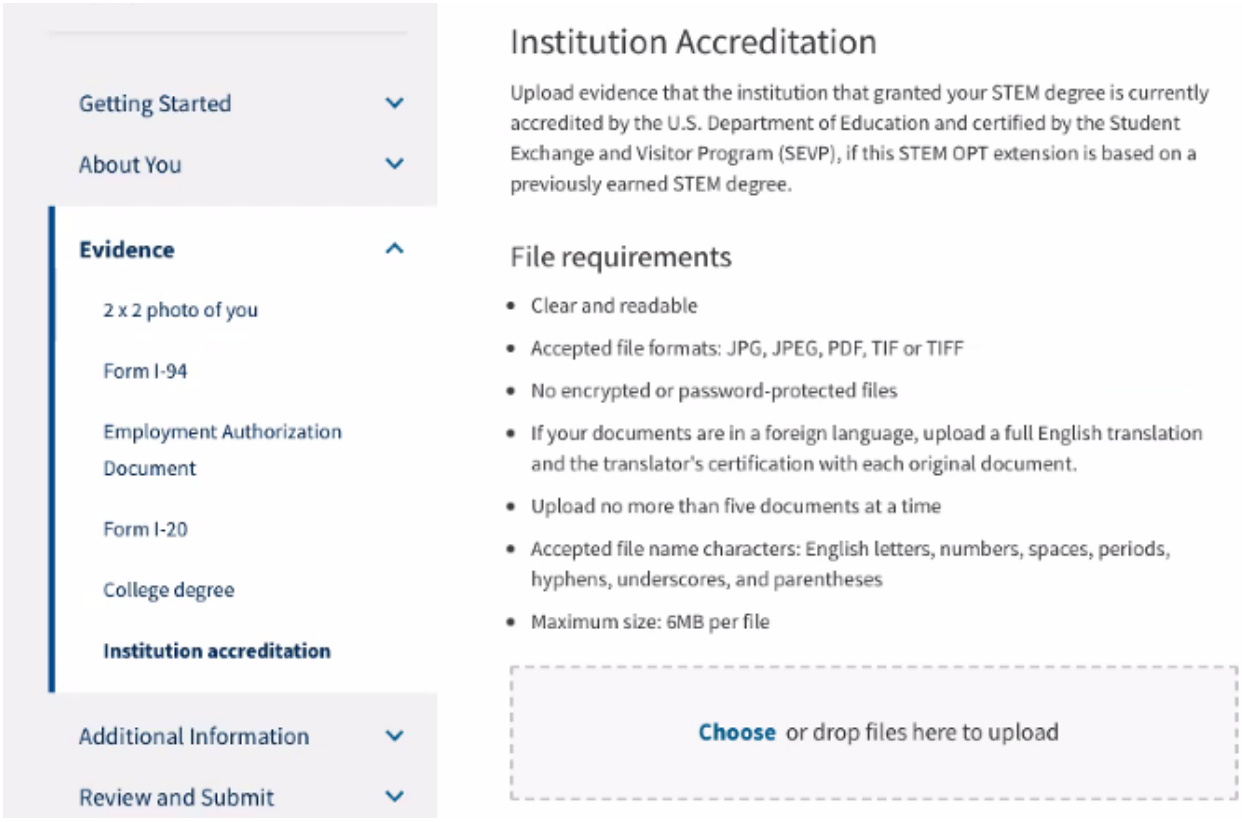
15. Upload your STEM OPT I20 Signed by a UW International Student Advisor. If you're creating the draft to submit for review you will not have this I20 yet and will need to skip.



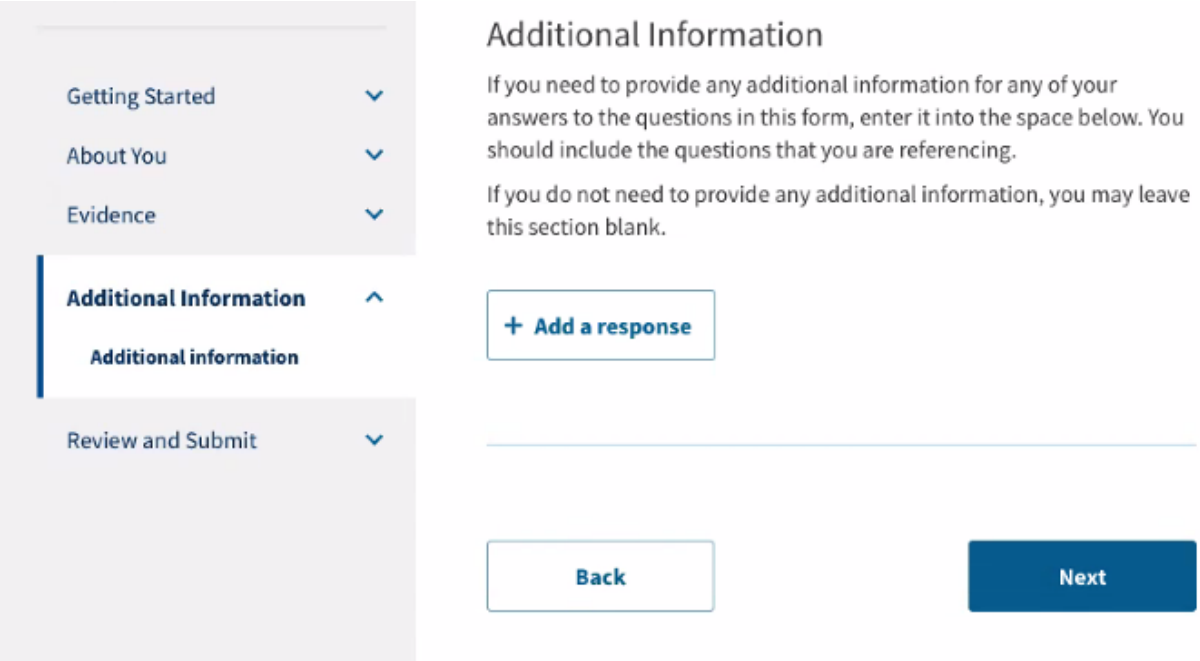
16. Upload an unofficial Transcript. This is only for students applying for STEM extension. If you're creating the draft to submit for review you can skip this for now.



17. Only for students applying for STEM extension. Upload Institution Accreditation if this STEM OPT application is based on a *previously* earned STEM degree. If you're creating the draft to submit for review you can skip this for now.



18. Enter any additional information you deem necessary. This section is optional.



19. You can review your form under the "Review and Submit" tab before paying the I-765 fee and submitting your request.