



A Guide to **Sprintax Returns**

Specially prepared for **Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program Participants** (J-1 Research Category)



SPRINTAX RETURNS GUIDE

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When do you need to use Sprintax Returns?

- You need to file a tax return if you have received income reportable to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and/or State Tax Office.
- You have received no reportable income to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), but were an exempt individual under F, J, M or Q visa for 2024 and need to submit Form 8843.
- ❖ What information should I have ready before I start completing Sprintax Returns?
- Passport
- Entry/exit dates to the US (if you do not have your travel history, you can request Form I-94 from U.S. Customs and Border Protection's website https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/)
- > All 2024 forms representing income you received (1042-S, W2, 1099, etc.)
- > Immigration and visa information (for reference DS-2019)
- Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) *If you don't have SSN or ITIN, Sprintax Returns can help you prepare an ITIN application.
- When should I file my Federal return?

Due date for filing 2024 Federal returns is April 15, 2025.

- How To Get Started
- > Transfer information from Sprintax Calculus to Sprintax Returns OR
- Create an account independently
- How to get help from Sprintax
- Clicking on the icon once you're logged in will bring up Sprintax FAQ section and online search assistant. If the

online assistant isn't answering your question, you can click on .You can request to speak to a Live Chat agent if you write "agent", "real person", "chat with a real person".

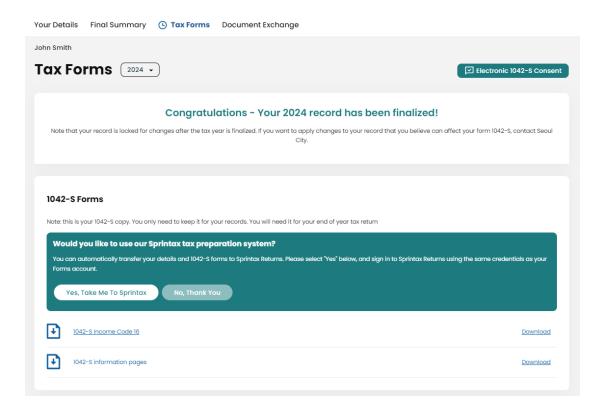
E-mail IIE@sprintax.com



Transfer information from Sprintax Calculus to Sprintax Returns

- To login to your Sprintax Calculus IIE has set you up for you for 2024 login here https://calculus.sprintax.com/
- ➤ If IIE has issued you 1042-S form(s) they will be visible in the "Tax Forms" section.

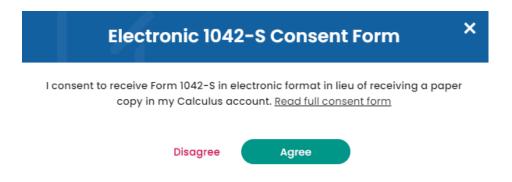
Please download and keep for your records.



> If you have not given consent to receive the 1042-S form electronically the form will not show under Tax Forms section of your Calculus profile

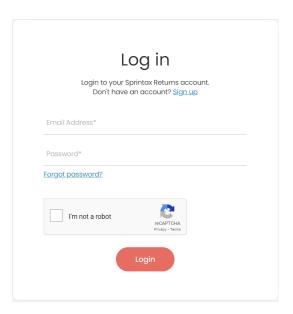
To make the form available click on the "Electronic 1042-S Consent" button at the top right corner of the page select "Agree" in the pop-up window.





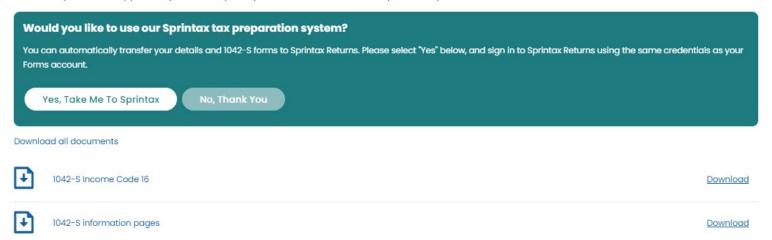
This action will immediately make the 1042-S form available for you to access and download as a PDF.

When 1042-S form is available clicking on "Yes, take me to Sprintax" will redirect you to Sprintax Returns software where you can login with your existing credentials for Sprintax Calculus.

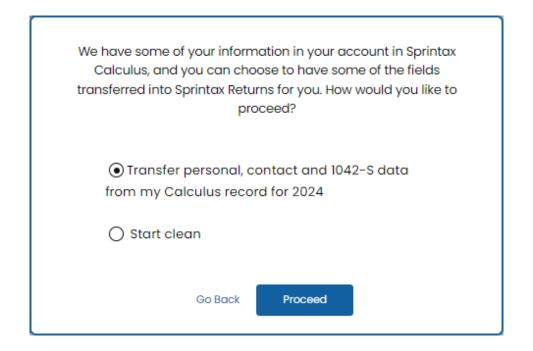


1042-S Forms

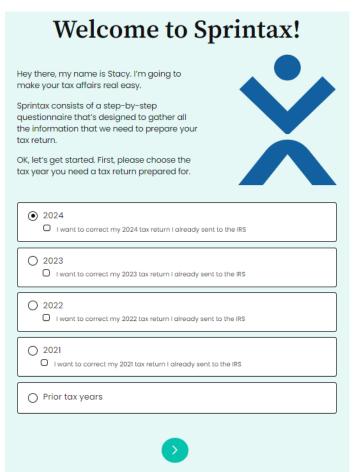
Note: this is your 1042-S copy. You only need to keep it for your records. You will need it for your end of year tax return



> Before you enter 2024 year you will be asked if you would like to transfer over your personal, contact and 1042-S data over to Sprintax Returns.

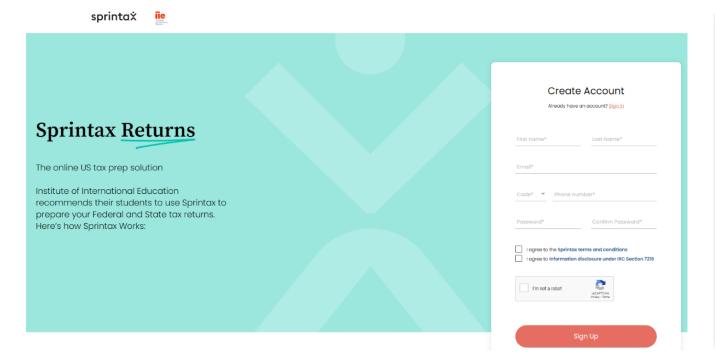


IMPORTANT It is highly recommended that you choose the option to transfer your information. If you do not transfer your information from your Sprintax Calculus account to Sprintax Returns, you will need to enter all of the information by hand.



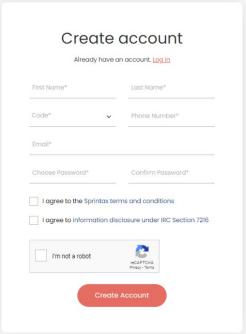
Create an account independently in Sprintax Returns

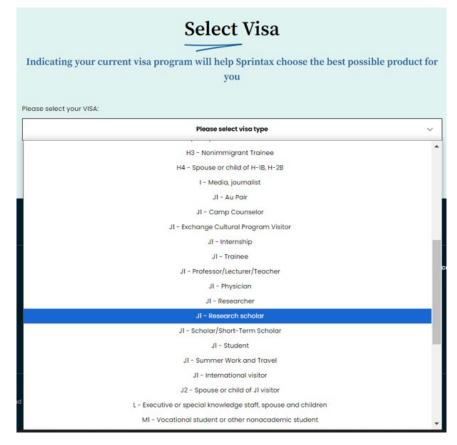
- ➤ If IIE did not administer taxable income to you or on your behalf and set you up with a Sprintax Calculus profile to issue you a Form 1042-s, you must create an account in Sprintax Returns independently.
- ➤ Go to IIE Sprintax Returns Login Page or Sprintax.com
- > If you already have an account in Sprintax Calculus, you can login with the same credentials. Otherwise please set your username and password.



IIE Sprintax Returns Landing Page

Sprintax Returns Sign up page





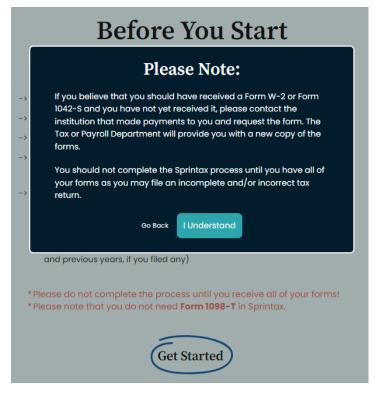
➤ Select your visa type and click "Continue". If IIE has issued you a DS-2019 (reference box 4) in 2024, be sure to select the visa type on the DS-2019.

Before You Start

Documents Needed:

- -> Passport
- -> US Entry and Exit Dates for current and all past visits to the US
- All income forms: Final Payslips, W2 Forms, 1042–S and/or 1099
- -> Visa/Immigration Status Information
 - Including Form DS-2019 (for J visa holders) or Form I-20 (for F visa holders)
- Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).
 - If you do not have an ITIN, Sprintax can help you get one!
 - If you are using Sprintax for State Tax Returns(s) preparation only, you will need a copy of your already prepared Federal Tax Return (for the current and previous years, if you filed any)
- *Please do not complete the process until you receive all of your forms!
- *Please note that you do not need Form 1098-T in Sprintax.





* **IMPORTANT** You should have already received **all** your payment documents for 2024 (W2, 1042-S, etc.) before you generate Federal or State tax forms, otherwise, you may need to file an amended return to add the missing income and tax details from your original returns. *IIE may not be able to cover the cost of filing an amended return*.

Welcome to Sprintax! Hey there, my name is Stacy. I'm going to make your tax affairs real easy. Sprintax consists of a step-by-step questionnaire that's designed to gather all the information that we need to prepare your tax return. OK, let's get started. First, please choose the tax year you need a tax return prepared for. 2024 I want to correct my 2024 tax return I already sent to the IRS 2023 I want to correct my 2023 tax return I already sent to the IRS 2022 O I want to correct my 2022 tax return I already sent to the IRS 2021 O I want to correct my 2021 tax return I already sent to the IRS O Prior tax years

Select the year you need to prepare tax return(s) for.

Current tax year is 2024.

Residency

Residency status

 Complete with your accurate immigration information. You may need to refer to your visa, DS-2019 form, your passport or I-94 for entry and exit dates.

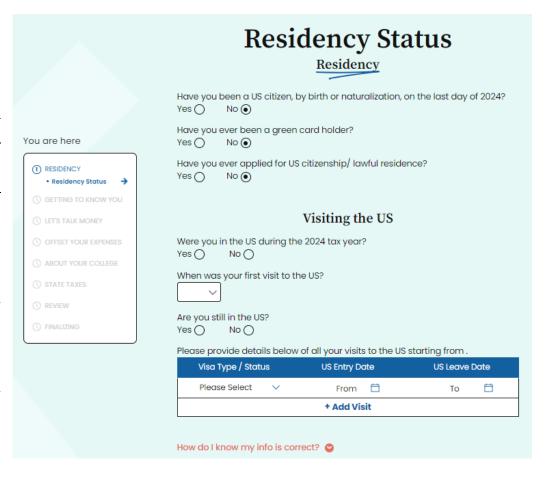
X IMPORTANT Select your correct immigration status – J1 – Scholar, J1 – Research Scholar, etc. for accurate tax determination.

Your J1 Exchange visitor category is indicated on your DS-2019 form, box 4.

 Provide your current (last visit) to the US with the appropriate visa/immigration status, entry date and date you left or expect to leave.

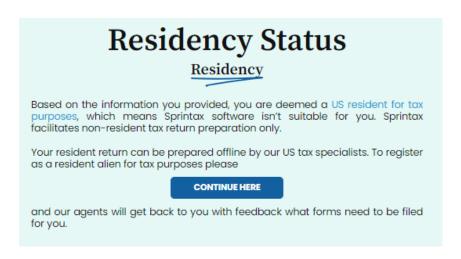
Tip: If you do not have an expected exit date yet for your current visit, enter the expiry/end of your status (as indicated on your DS-2019 in box 3).

- If you had previously been to the US, prior to your current visit, click + Add Visit and enter the information for each separately.
- Dates cannot overlap between different visits.



You could be deemed resident for tax purposes if you have obtained US citizenship, Green Card or you have stayed for a number of years in US and have met the Substantial Presence Test as per IRS regulations.

Sprintax Returns software is only for preparing non-resident returns. In the case you are deemed resident for tax purposes, we will be able to assist you with an offline preparation of your resident returns.



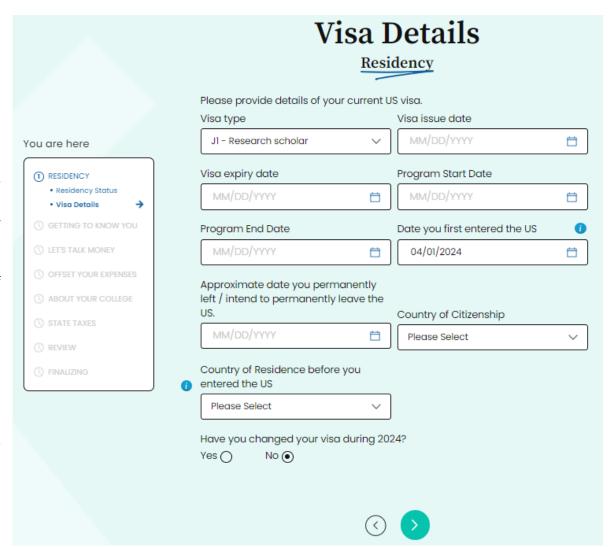
If based on the information provided you are deemed a US resident for tax purposes please take the following steps:

- 1. Email IIE@sprintax.com and in the subject line include "IIE Resident Return Name, Email Address, and IIE identification number"
- 2. The Sprintax team will send you a PDF tax questionnaire to fill out
- 3. Complete the questionnaire and return it to the <u>IIE@sprintax.com</u> team and include any non IIE income documents such as W-2, 1042-S, 1099 etc.
- 4. The Sprintax team will email you your tax return forms which you can then print, sign and mail to the tax authorities. Please allow 2-3 weeks for the forms since you have provided the documents for the tax returns to be prepared and provided to you.

Visa Details

- Enter the dates your visa was issued and expired, or to expire.
- The dates of start and end of your program as per your DS-2019.
- Approximate date you permanently left/intend to permanently leave the US is the date when you left or would leave after your program has ended.
- Country of citizenship vs. country of residence – country of residence is where you claimed residency for tax purposes before your current (last) visit to the US.

If prior to your entry to the US you have resided in a different country than your citizenship country, depending on the particular country's domestic law you could be a resident for tax purposes of the third country.



Getting to know you

About you

 Your name should be listed as it is on your passport/visa or Social Security Card (if you have been issued a Social Security Number).

Note: Occupation could be pre-selected in the Sprintax Returns software based on your immigration status. If not pre-selected, please select the most relevant to you based on your immigration status. For example J1 – Research scholars could select "Scholar", J1 – Researchers could select "Researcher", etc.

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Please note that the Sprintax system only accepts English / Latin alphabet letters.				
First name	Middle name			
John				
Last Name	Occupation type			
Smith	Please Select V			
Occupation	Date of Birth			

- If you have been provided a 1042-S form from IIE, then you have received US income.
- US Tax Identification Number (Social Security Number SSN or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number – ITIN) is required to be provided on each Federal and/or state return for the relevant tax offices to successfully process your documentation.

NOTE: Occupation is your principal activity in the US such as student, teacher, trainee; or your official designation as employed or self-employed if you have an occupation such as doctor, manager, engineer, etc.
Did you have US income (wages, scholarships, or other payments) in 2024? Yes No
Do you have a US tax identification number (ITIN/SSN)? Yes No
At any time during 2024, did you receive as a reward, sell, exchange, gift, or otherwise dispose of any digital asset or a financial interest in a digital asset? Yes No No

- If you don't have either SSN or ITIN, Sprintax Returns can help you generate an ITIN application that you need to attach to your Federal return accompanied by supporting documents (for more information please refer to the US Tax ID section below).
- If you submitted an ITIN application to IIE but have not received notification from IIE or the IRS on your ITIN status please submit your ITIN application with your Federal return. Please refer to the US Tax ID section below.
- Virtual currency is a digital representation of value, other than a representation of the U.S. dollar or a foreign currency ("real currency"), that functions as a unit of account, a store of value, or a medium of exchange. Some virtual currencies are convertible, which means that they have an equivalent value in real currency or act as a substitute for real currency. The IRS uses the term "virtual currency" to describe the various types of convertible virtual currency that are used as a medium of exchange, such as digital currency and cryptocurrency.

Please, note you may be asked additional questions in this section based on your immigration status.

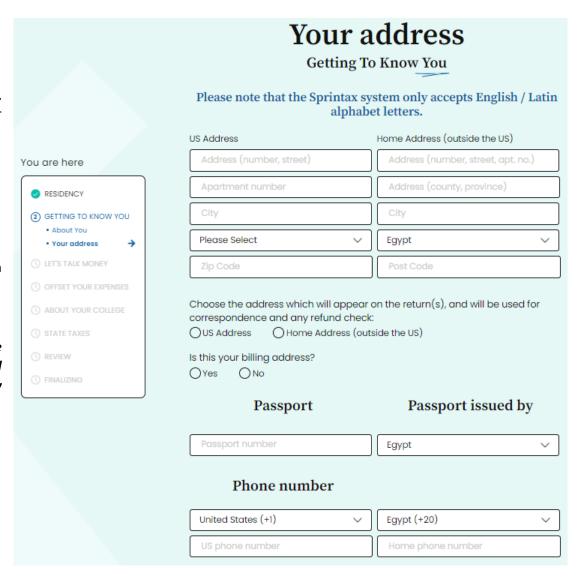
Your address

Please make sure that you input your current US address, or last US address if you are no longer in the US, and your home residential address.

★ IMPORTANT Do not enter IIE's address.

Choose between the two addresses that would appear on your tax forms as mailing address.

It is important to list the address that you would have access to for the next 6 months for any potential correspondence that the IRS and/or state tax office may send.



Marital Status

The term "dependent" means:

- A qualifying child*, or
- A qualifying relative**

You can be claimed as a dependent if your parent (or someone else) can claim you as their dependent on their US Tax return. Please, select "No", to this question, if you are not.

• If you were married on the last day of 2024 please provide spouse details even if they don't have to file a US tax return, have a valid SSN or ITIN or will be filing separately.

<u>Note</u>: The below qualifying child and relative information is only relevant for residents of Canada, Mexico, South Korea or India.

* A qualifying child is:

- Child must be a son, daughter, stepchild, foster child, brother, sister, half brother, half sister, stepbrother, stepsister, or a descendant of any of them.
- Child must be: (a) under age 19 at the end of the year and younger than the tax return filer, (b) under age 24 at the end of the year, a fulltime student, and younger than the tax return filer (or spouse, if filing jointly), or (c) any age if permanently and totally disabled.
- o Child must have lived with the tax return filer for more than half of the year.
- o Child must not have provided more than half of their own support for the year.
- Child isn't filing a joint return for the year (unless that joint return is filed only to claim a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid).
- If the child meets the rules to be a qualifying child of more than one person, the tax return filer must be the person entitled to claim the child as a qualifying child.

** A qualifying relative is:

- A person that can't be the tax return filer's qualifying child or the qualifying child of any other taxpayer. A child isn't the qualifying child of any other taxpayer if the child's parent (or any other person for whom the child is defined as a qualifying child) isn't required to file an income tax return or files an income tax return only to get a refund of income tax withheld.
- The person either
 - (a) must be related to the tax return filer in one of the following ways:
 - son, daughter, stepchild, foster child, or a descendant of any of them (i.e., grandchild)
 - brother, sister, half brother, half sister, or a son or daughter of any of them
 - father, mother, or an ancestor or sibling of either of them
 - stepbrother, stepsister, stepfather, stepmother, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
 - (b) must live with the tax return filer all year as a member of the household.
- The person's gross income for the year must be less than \$4,300. Gross income means all income the person received in the form of money, goods, property and services, that isn't exempt from tax (excluding Social Security benefits unless the person is married filing a separate return and lived with their spouse at any time during the tax year or if 1/2 the Social Security benefits plus their other gross income and tax exempt interest is more than \$25,000, or \$32,000 if Married Filing Jointly).
- \circ Tax return filer must provide more than half of the person's total support for the year.

US Tax ID

If you do not have Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) and have selected in section "About You" that you wish Sprintax to prepare an ITIN application for you, you will be prompted to this screen.



Identification This section pertains to your ITIN Application

 Please complete the information exactly as it is on your documents (passport, visa, etc.).

Any mismatch in the information may delay or deny your ITIN application.

- In order to prove identity and foreign status when applying for an ITIN you need to provide either a copy of a valid passport or a combination of two other documents along with your ITIN application.
- All documents (passport / or other 2 identification documents) must be valid and current; <u>expired documents will not be</u> accepted.
- If a copy of an applicant's passport is selected as a supporting document, the copy must include the passport picture page and US visa page. If providing a combination of two other documents, one must prove your 'foreign status' and the other must prove your identity.
- The copies must be certified by the issuing agencies of the original document (example: your home country's passport office), a US Embassy/ Consulate or a Certified Acceptance Agent (IRS official). Click here for a list of CAAs worldwide.
- If you are unable to get your passport certified, please email <u>itin@iie.org</u> for further assistance.



Identification

In order to prove identity and foreign status when applying for an ITIN, the applicant needs to provide either a copy of a valid passport or a combination of two other documents.

All documents must be valid and current; expired documents will not be

If a copy of an applicant's passport is provided as a supporting document, the copy must include the passport picture page and US visa page. If providing a combination of two other documents, one must prove the applicant's 'foreign status' and the other must prove their identity. All copies must be certified by the issuing agencies of the original document.

Document type

Passport Other document type



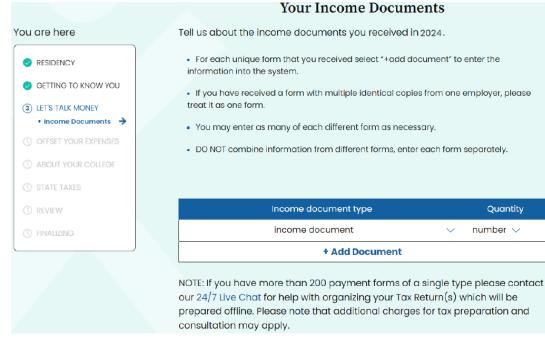
Let's Talk Money

Income documents

- If you have transferred your information from Sprintax Calculus to Sprintax Returns, the 1042-S forms would also be transferred.
 - If you have been issued one 1042-S by IIE the quantity of the form would be 1. If you have been issued two 1042-S forms by IIE, the quantity of the 1042-S forms would be 2.
- If you need to add more 1042-S forms besides the ones from IIE you have already transferred, adjust the quantity of 1042-S forms.

Example: you have been issued two forms from IIE and one from your university. The quantity should be 3 in this case as each unique form needs to be added separately in the 1042-S subsection that follows.

Do not combine forms even if they are the same type.



X IMPORTANT 1042-S form has 3 identical copies provided to the recipient of an income - copies, B, C and D, and they represent one unique 1042-S form. The quantity of 1042-S form in "Income documents" screen for one 1042-S form with copies B, C and D is 1. The quantity for two 1042-S forms each with copies B, C and D is 2.

- IIE may issue you more than one 1042-S form that show different amounts and state information. Make sure they are entered separately and in entirety.
- How do I know if IIE have issued more than one 1042-S form?
 - In your Sprintax Calculus account download the PDF 1042-S in "Tax Forms" page. The 1042-S PDF would have copies B, C and D for each unique form (the copy indication is located in the upper right corner of the 1042-S).

Example: if you have two 1042-s forms issued by IIE, you would have 2 sets of Copies B, C and D for each one in the 1042-S PDF.

• Please select additional income document type(s) you have received for 2024 from the drop-down and the quantity for each unique type (1042-S, W-2, etc.) by clicking on "+add document".

Example: If you have received 1042-S form(s) and W-2 from your employer, you should have 1042-S and W-2 listed as income document types.

Income document type		Quantity		
income document	~	number ∨		
+ Add Document				

➤ 1042-S

Type of entity

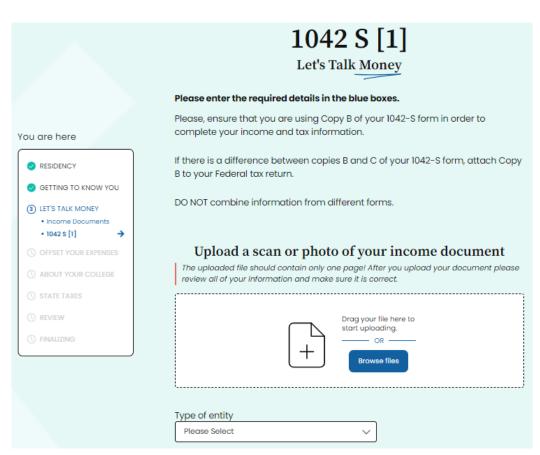
Please choose the payer type for the given 1042-S from the drop-down.

Example: If you are entering 1042-S form from IIE or from your university, the appropriate selection would be "College, University or other Educational Institution".

- Transferred IIE 1042-S from Sprintax Calculus
- If you have elected to transfer over your Sprintax Calculus details to Sprintax Returns, the 1042-S information would be transferred over as well.
- Verify your 1042-S information in Sprintax Returns software matches your 1042-S form you've been issued in Sprintax Calculus. Your 1042-S is in "Tax Forms" page. Please download and save for your records.
- Entering 1042-S from scratch
- If you have not transferred your information from your IIE Sprintax Calculus account or you need to add other 1042-S forms from a different payer, you have 2 different ways of filling in the information:
 - a) Upload a scan or photo of your 1042-S form

Once you upload the document, the 1042-S window will update with the information uploaded.

X IMPORTANT Verify with your paper or electronic 1042-S that the information uploaded onto Sprintax Returns matches the form.

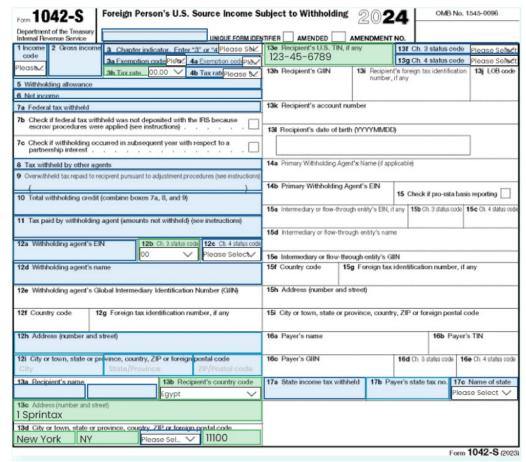


b) Enter the information by hand

MPORTANT Make sure you add the information correctly from your paper or electronic form into the Sprintax software. The information you enter needs to be replicated exactly from your actual form you received, including the UNIQUE FORM IDENTIFER at the top of the form.

Any fields not filled in is shown in blue, but may not all be required.

- Additional boxes you may need to select in the 1042-S window:
- If box 13e of your 1042-S form is blank (the issuer of the form did not have your US Tax number), however if you have SSN or ITIN please enter it in box 13e of the 1042-S window.
- If box 13e of your 1042-S form is blank and can't be edited, it is because you have selected you do not have SSN or ITIN.
- If you do not have a state indicated in box 17c please select the state associated with the 1042-S income.



Example: You have received scholarship income for studying at a university in Illinois state, select Illinois from the drop-down in box 17c.

Some states you select in 17c might prompt you to fill in boxes 17a / 17b in the 1042-S window. If there's no such information present on your 1042-S form, put "0" in those boxes.

You may see the following additional question on your 1042-S screen:

Is your sch	iolarship/g	grant compensatory:	?
Yes	No		

Compensatory / grant scholarship is one given to trainees, researchers or students which require the performance of personal services as a necessary condition for disbursement of the grant, usually teaching or participating in research.

X IMPORTANT IIE sourced scholarships are non-compensatory.

• If you have selected an erroneous quantity of 1042-S forms, you'll need to adjust the number in "Income Documents" screen.

Example: You have selected quantity 3 for 1042-S document type, but you only have 2, you need to adjust the quantity to 2 in "Income Documents" screen to leave only 2 1042-S forms. Verify the 1042-S data for each one and then move on to next sections.

X IMPORTANT If IIE has issued you more than one 1042-S forms, do not delete 1042-S forms. All unique 1042-S forms need to be added for the correct tax returns to be generated.

If you do not include all of your 1042-S forms you may need to file an amended return to correct the information.

Do not duplicate 1042-S forms.

<u>Each unique 1042-S forms has 3 copies – B, C and D as indicated in the upper right corner of the 1042-S. All 3 copies represent the same income/tax information. You should only enter it once. Do not enter all copies B, C and D.</u>

> W-2 form

• Employer Type

Please choose the employer type for the given W-2 from the drop-down.

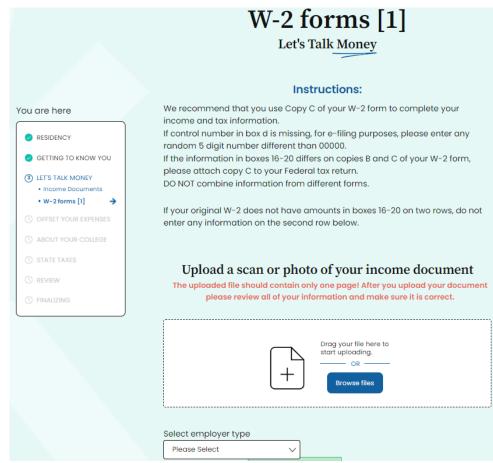
Example: If you are entering W-2 from your university, the appropriate selection would be "College, university or other Educational Institution".

• Entering W-2 information

c) Upload a scan or photo of your W-2 form

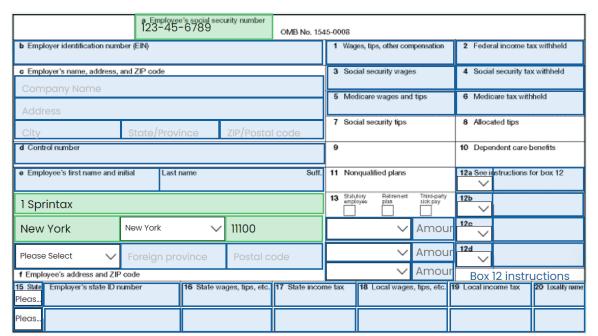
Once you upload the document, the W-2 window will update with the information. Verify that the information has been uploaded correctly and in entirety before you move on to the next section.

d) Enter the information by hand



X IMPORTANT We recommend that you use Copy C of your W-2 form to upload/enter in W-2 screen. Make sure you add the information correctly from your paper or electronic form into the Sprintax software. The information you enter needs to be replicated exactly from your actual form you received.

- Additional boxes you may need to select in the W2 window
- If your Social Security Number in Box A of your W2 is missing or truncated (example xxx-xx-1234) please enter your full tax number in Box A in the W-2 window. If you do not have Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) please enter 000-00-0000.
- If box 15 of your W-2 is blank please select the state you were in where you performed the services for the W-2 income.
- If box d "Control number" is left blank, you may be unable to *eFile* your Federal tax return. If it is blank on your W2 form please enter any random 5 digit number different than "00000".



> Other income

If you have received any other income from US sources that is not reported on 1042-S, W2 or 1099 <u>and</u> you have not entered it in "Income documents", and any of the subsequent screens please select "Yes".

What type of income did you receive?

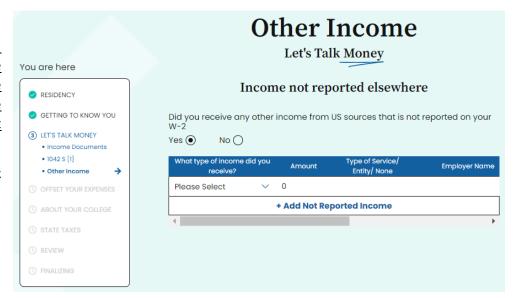
Please select the appropriate type of other income

- Fees / Commissions
- Academic grant / Scholarship
- Prize / Award
- Other
- Please select the amount of the income
- Type of service / Entity

<u>"Fees/commissions"</u> and <u>"academic grant/scholarship"</u> would prompt you to select "type of service/entity". Please select the appropriate answer, provide name and EIN of the employer/organization and select the state associated with the payment. Example, if you have received commission for independent service performed in the state of Florida please select Florida.

 If you need to add more than one such payment please click on + Add Not Reported Income.





> Additional Tax Info

 Did you make any estimated tax payments during 2024 which you paid directly to IRS yourself and not through your employer?

Select "yes" and provide the amount of the tax you paid to the IRS if you have made a payment to the IRS for year 2024 as an estimated tax.

<u>Do not enter any amounts if you did not make such payments or you made</u> payments to the IRS related to another tax year (2023, 2022, 2021, etc.)

 Did you make any estimated tax payments to the state tax office during 2024 which you paid yourself and not through your employer?

Select "yes" and provide the amount of the tax you paid to a state tax office if you have made a payment for year 2024 as an estimated tax.

Other taxes and payments

Did you make any estimated tax payments during 2024 which you paid directly

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to the IR	RS yourself and n	ot through your em	ployer?		
Yes (No (
Did you	make any estim	ated tax payments	to the state	tax office during	2024
which y	ou paid yourself	and not through yo	ur employei	?	
Yes (No (0 ,	. ,		

Did you file any forms requesting an extension to file a tax return with the IRS? Yes \(\) No \(\)

Did you file any forms requesting an extension to file a tax return with the State Tax office?

Yes \(\) No \(\)

<u>Do not enter any amounts if you did not make such payments or you made payments to the state tax office related to another tax year (2023, 2021, etc.)</u>

Did you file any forms requesting an extension to file a tax return with IRS?

If you were unable to file your Federal tax return with the IRS by April 15, 2025 and you have filed for an extension of time to file, Form 4868, then please select "yes".

• Did you pay any amount with this form?

If you have filed for an extension and sent a payment to the IRS along the request for extension on Form 4868 please select "yes" and provide the amount you paid with the extension, if any.

• Did you file any forms requesting an extension to file a tax return with the State Tax office?

If you were unable to file your state tax return on time and you have filed for an extension of time to file please select "yes" and provide the amount of tax you paid with the extension, if any, and the state.

Previous US tax returns

Have you filed a US federal tax return before?

Previous US tax returns
Have you filed a US federal tax return before? Yes No
Have you filed a state tax return before? Yes No

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If 2024 is the first year you are filing a federal tax return please select

"no". Otherwise, select "yes" and provide the most recent year and type of federal return you filed before the current 2024.



Have you filed a state tax return before?

If 2024 is the first year you are filing a state tax return for please select "no". Otherwise, select "yes" and answer the additional questions.

If you had an overpayment (you were due a state tax refund) on your previous year state return, select "yes" and choose the state and amount of overpayment.

If your previous year return was for \$0 balance or you owed money, please select "no".

Yes No No
+ Add State
Please, do not include here any payments already reported on 1099-G, box 2, in Step 3 - Let's talk money
Did you have any overpayment listed on your 2023 state tax return? Yes No
- Remove state

• Tax Treaty Verification

Depending on various factors, you may be eligible to claim treaty on all or part of your US source income. If you're eligible based on the information provided we will list the treaty/treaties you can use.

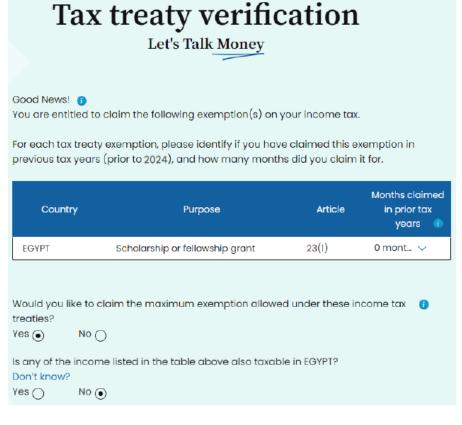
If you have claimed a treaty exemption in previous years as well please select the total months you already claimed a treaty in the "Months claimed in prior tax years" drop-down. If 2024 is the first year you would be filing a tax return and/or claiming treaty, select 0 months.

Example: You have entered the US in June 2023 and have filed a tax return for 2023 claiming tax treaty, select 7 months (the period covered by the treaty in 2023).

- Would you like to claim the maximum exemption allowed under these income tax treaties?

X IMPORTANT Selecting "yes" to use the treaty as identified in the window above for 2024 would exempt you from tax on all or part of the indicated type of income, depending on the particular tax treaty.

Answering "no" to this question will not exempt income from tax under a treaty and tax will be calculated on the income that could have been exempted should treaty be claimed.



If your grant is administered by IIE and includes taxes, it is expected that you select yes to apply the eligible tax treaty. If you do not select yes to use the treaty, you may need to file an amendment at your own cost.

- Is any of the income listed in the table above also taxable in your country of residency?

If the income listed to be covered by a treaty is taxable in your selected country of residence please select "yes", otherwise select "no".

Offset Your Expenses

Other expenses

If you have made charitable contributions throughout 2024, you may be eligible to claim them as an expense.

You can deduct contributions or gifts you gave to U.S. organizations that are religious, charitable, educational, scientific, or literary in purpose. You can also deduct what you gave to U.S. organizations that work to prevent cruelty to children or animals.

To verify an organization's charitable status, you can do the following:

- Check with the organization to which you made the donation.
 The organization should be able to provide you with verification of its charitable status
- Use IRS' online search tool at <u>IRS.gov/TEOS</u> to see if an organization is eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions

You need to keep all receipts for your expenses in case of an audit. If you did not make charitable contributions, leave the fields blank.

Other Expenses

Offset Your Expenses

Please provide us with details of any expenses you incurred in 2024. We will use these to maximise your tax refund. Please note that the questions in this section are not mandatory so you can leave some or all of them blank as appropriate.

Please note that you have to keep all receipts for your expenses in case of an audit; reimbursements received from your employer may affect your tax treaty benefits and the final balance on your tax return.

Charitable contributions

For any charitable donations made by either cash or check and regardless of the amount or form of property donated, you must keep records.

For cash donations, an appropriate record would be a bank or credit card statement or a written statement from the charity stating the name of the charity, amount of the donation and the date on which it was made.

Charitable	contributions	paid	by	check	or	cas

Charitable contributions paid by another means

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Health insurance payments

If you had received form 1095-A, with amount(s) other than zero in Part III, column C, of your Form 1095-A, or if you want to take the Premium Tax Credit, you must complete and attach Form 8962 to your tax return. In that case, you will not be able to proceed online (Federal return would need to be prepared offline). Send an e-mail to ILE@sprintax.com instead.

- Were you enrolled in a qualified health plan(s) purchased through the Federal Health Insurance Marketplace or relevant State Marketplace?
- Were you eligible for Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC) for the period you were enrolled in the qualified health plan(s)?
- Were the Enrollment premiums paid by the due date of your tax return, not including extensions?

Depending on your selection you may be prompted to answer additional questions to determine your eligibility for the Premium Tax Credit. If you have additional questions please reach out to a Sprintax service representative through chat or email.

Health Insurance payments

Did you receive 1095-A form?

Yes O No O

I received Forms 1095-B or 1095-C: You do not need to provide information or a copy of 1095-B or 1095-C to us or to the IRS. You do not need these forms in order to file your tax return, you only have to keep them for your records.

Form 1095-A: If you are expecting to receive a Form 1095-A, you should wait to file your 2024 income tax return until you receive it. Sprintax can help you with the preparation of your return offline. To prepare your return offline we will need you to finalize your account on Sprintax and email us with your 1095-A form.

Healthcare Coverage

Offset Your Expenses

Please provide us with information about your Health Insurance Marketplace Statements and your minimum essential health care coverage and we will prepare the relevant forms and reconcile the Advance payments of the premium tax credit (APTC) if any, with your Premium Tax Credit (PTC).

Were you enrolled in a qualified health plan(s) purchased through the Federal Health Insurance Marketplace or relevant State Marketplace?

Yes O No O

Were you eligible for Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC) for the period you were enrolled in the qualified health plan(s)?

Yes No (

Were the Enrollment premiums paid by the due date of your tax return, not including extensions?

Yes 🔘

No ()

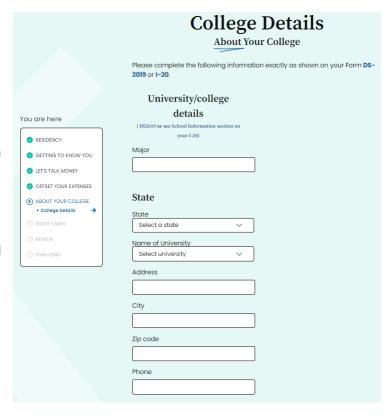
About Your College

Section "College Details" collects information for Form 8843.

All non-resident aliens on J-1 status must file Form 8843, along with the Federal tax return or on its own, to explain the basis of your claim that you can exclude days of presence in the United States for purposes of the substantial presence test because you:

- Were an exempt individual, or
- Were unable to leave the United States because of a medical condition or medical problem. "College Details" screen collects the information for Form 8843.

Please refer to your DS-2019 to complete this section.



Family member's Statement for Exempt Individual

Please select whether you'd like to generate 8843 for a family income?

Would you like to prepare and receive Statement for Exempt Individual (Form 8843) for any of your family member on J2,F2,M2 or Q3 visa and who do not have US

No () Yes ()

member.

State Taxes

Transferring your data

Sprintax Returns will calculate any state filing requirements.

Living in the US

- Please provide details for each state you lived in US as well as any period(s) you spent outside of US, if any, during 2024.
- If you have entered the US before 01/01/2024, entry date for 2024 will be set automatically to 01/01/2024.
- Please select the exit date from each state during the year or 12/31/2024 if you have been present in one state only and stayed beyond the end of 2024.
- Please select the type of accommodation you had in each state.
- Permanent vs. Temporary visit a temporary visit, as opposed to a permanent one, is generally considered such that has a start and end date (for example due to visa/immigration status duration limitations), after which you return to your permanent location.



State return

State Taxes

We have reviewed your information and found that you need to file the following tax return(s):

Select the State Tax Return/s you would like to file

✓ New York

See Example Entry date

01/01/2024

If you have an access code you can enter it later on the order review page.

• The following message will appear if based on the information provided you do not need to file a state tax return.

If based on the income/state information provided you may need to file a state tax return, additional questions regarding your visit in the state, or states if multiple, will be asked. Make sure to select the state or states listed to have the state forms generated.

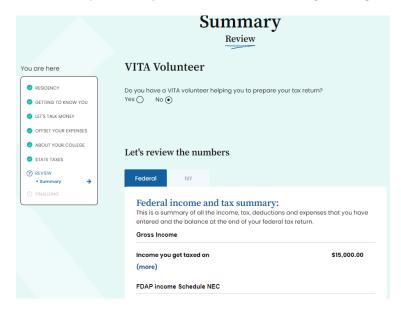


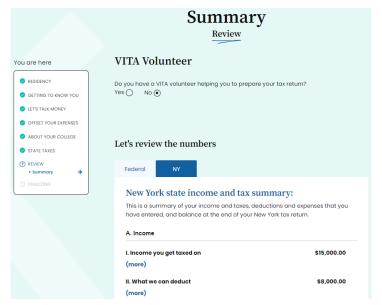
If you have specific questions regarding the state section while completing your account please reach out to the Live Chat or send an e-mail to IIE@sprintax.com.

Review

Summary

Please review your Federal and state (if applicable) summaries before you continue. If you need to go back and make corrections please navigate to the section in question, update the information and go through all steps till the end.

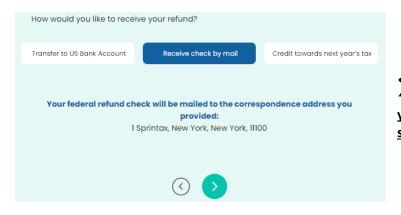




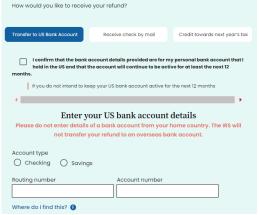
Federal Tax

Refunds due on 2024 Federal return can either be direct deposited to a US bank account, issued as a refund check, or credited to the next year.

- If you provide a US bank account, it needs to be your personal bank account. If the direct deposit of your refund fails, IRS will send a check instead to the address you listed as mailing.
 - There is an option to set up a temporary US bank account through an independent third party. For more information please review this blog from Sprintax (specifically #3): http://blog.sprintax.com/get-tax-refund-without-us-bank-account/. Please note that IIE does not have an affiliation with this bank and cannot assist with this process.
- If you select to receive a check in the mail please make sure you have selected for mailing address such that you would have access to in the following few months after the return is filed.
- Credit towards your next year's tax. If you received an IIE Form 1042-S, you may not select this
 option as you may be required to return to IIE part or all your federal refund.







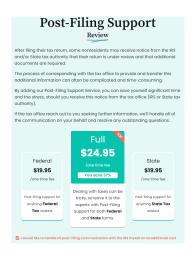
X IMPORTANT Do not select "Credit towards next year" option if you are a program participant administered by IIE and IIE have made scholarship payments to you or on your behalf.

State Tax

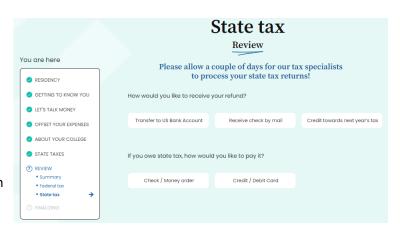
- If you are due a refund from the state tax office, you can either choose to receive direct deposit into your personal bank account, receive a check or forward credit to 2025.
- If you owe states taxes, you <u>may</u> be eligible for a reimbursement from IIE. As a Fulbright participant, you may submit a reimbursement via your IIE self-service portal. The reimbursement request must include a copy of your state tax return and documentation of payment (copy of check or copy of bank statement). Please allow up to 6 weeks for IIE to process your reimbursement.

Post-Filing Support

IIE participants have post-filing support.

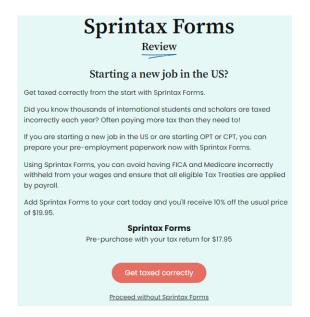


<u>IIE PARTICIPANTS POST-FILING SUPPORT:</u> If you receive letters from the US tax authorities, need assistance or have post-filing questions please reach out to <u>IIE@sprintax.com.</u>



Sprintax Forms

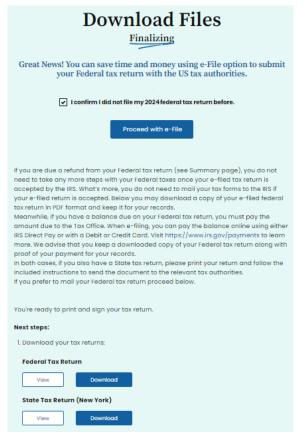
Do not elect to this service in relation to future income administered by IIE. IIE will add you to Sprintax Calculus instead, if needed.

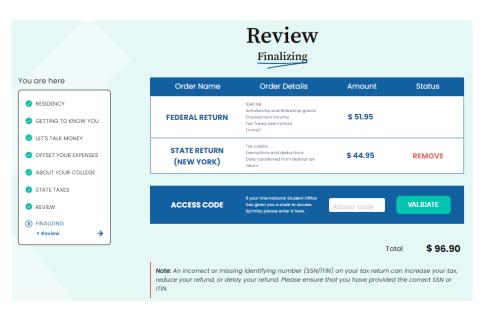


Finalizing

IIE has provided you with an Access Code to remove the cost of your tax filing via email either when your IIE 1042-S forms were issued or in a separate email. Please enter the code and click "validate".

The Access Code provided to you by IIE is for your tax filing only. Do not share the code with anybody else (spouse, friends, etc.)





If you are eligible to e-file your Federal return with the IRS, we strongly recommend using that option. You cannot e-file, if you do not have a U.S. tax identification number available.

X IMPORTANT You will still need to mail your state return to the given State Tax
Office even if you e-file your Federal return.

If you are not eligible to e-file, or you choose not to e-file, you will need to print the Federal, state and any other applicable documents, follow the instructions to sign them that are available in your PDF package, attach the supporting payment or other documents and mail the forms to the address in each form's instructions.

Please also review the **IIE Sprintax FAQs**

Contact tax@iie.org, if you have questions about the following:

- ❖ IIE-issued Form 1042-S or tax withholding amounts
- Returning IIE's portion of your federal tax refund
- Requesting a reimbursement for states taxes

Contact IE@sprintax.com or Sprintax's Live Chat, if you have questions about the following:

- Completing the Sprintax Calculus profile
- ❖ Form W8-BEN
- Completing Sprintax Returns
- ❖ Form 1040-NR or Form 1040
- State Tax Forms

