If the CBP officer at the port of entry cannot initially verify your information or you do not have all of the required documentation, you may be directed to an interview area known as "secondary inspection." Secondary inspection allows inspectors to conduct additional research in order to verify information without causing delays for other arriving passengers.

The inspector will first attempt to verify your status by using the Student and Exchange and Visitor Information System (SEVIS). In the event that the CBP Officer needs to verify information with your school or program, they will ask you for the name and telephone number of the international student advisor at your school. In the event you arrive during non-business hours (evening, weekends, holidays), you should provide the emergency or non-business hour phone number available:

24-hour emergency contact number at UAF: Campus Police - 907 474-7721

The UAF Campus Police will be able to contact Carol Holz or one of the other international student advisors at any time if it is necessary.

Failure to comply with U.S. government entry-exit procedures may result in your being denied entry to the United States. Under certain circumstances, the CBP officer may issue a "Notice to Student or Exchange Visitor" Form (I-515A), which authorizes temporary admission into the United States. If you receive the I-515A entry, bring it to our office without delay.