

## *Commonly Used Visas*

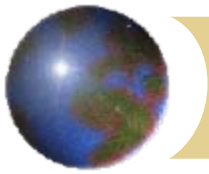
- L-1 Intracompany Transferee
  - Temporary → 6 Years
- H-1B Specialty Worker
  - Temporary → 6+ Years
- EB-5 Immigrant Investor
  - Permanent → Green Card





## *L-1 Visa*

- Intracompany Transferee Visa.
- Foreign enterprise opens a U.S. affiliate or subsidiary.
- Allows for the transfer of executives, managers or employees with specialized knowledge.
- Small initial capital investment (US\$10,000)



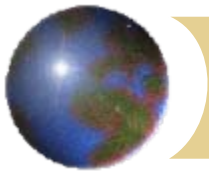
## *L-1 Visa*

- Alien to be transferred must have been working for the foreign enterprise for at least 1 of the last 3 years.
- Employment must be in an executive, managerial or specialized knowledge capacity.
- Offers executives and managers an easy path to permanent residence.



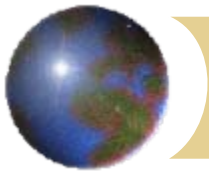
## *H-1B Visa*

- Professional engaged in a “specialty occupation”.
- Position requires the attainment of a bachelor's degree or higher in a specific specialty, or its equivalent, as a minimum for entry into the occupation in the United States.



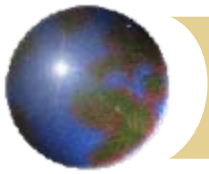
## *H-1B Visa*

- ➊ U.S. Employer must petition for alien.
- ➋ Alien can form a start-up company in the U.S.
  - When properly registered the company then meets the definition of a U.S. Employer and can petition for the alien.
  - Minimal capital investment (US\$10,000).



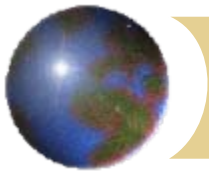
## *H-1B Visa*

- Alien must hold a U.S. Bachelor's Degree or equivalent.
- Equivalency for foreign university degrees available.
- Work Experience can equal a Bachelor's degree.
  - Credential Evaluation required.



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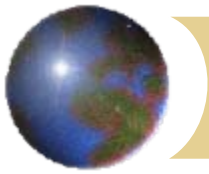
- Work Experience Credential Evaluation
  - A U.S. Bachelor's degree is normally 4 years of education.
  - 3 Years of progressive work experience equals 1 year of university education.
    - 12 years of work experience = Bachelor's Degree



# *EB-5 Immigrant Investor*

## ● Basic Requirements

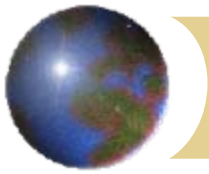
- ❑ Invest \$1 Million in a for profit commercial enterprise.
- ❑ Invest \$500,000 in a for profit commercial enterprise located in a “targeted” area.
  - A “targeted” area is defined as a rural area or an area which has experienced unemployment of at least 150% of the national average rate
- ❑ Invest \$500,000 in a Regional Center.
  - A “Regional Center” is any economic unit, public or private, engaged in the promotion of economic growth, improved regional productivity, job creation and increased domestic capital investment.



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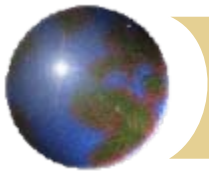
## ● Job Creation Requirement

- All investments must create 10 full-time jobs for U.S. Workers.
- Regional Center investments may satisfy the job creation requirement by showing jobs will be created indirectly as a result of the investment.



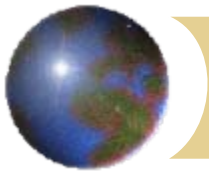
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- Sample Regional Center Investments:
  - Agriculture: Purchase and conversion of raw crop lands into permanent commercially farming operations.
  - Real Estate: Purchase and redevelopment of real property for commercial and mixed use.
  - Tourism: Investments in hotel, restaurant and hospitality industries.



## *Other Visas For Brazilians*

- Visitor (B-1/B-2)
  - Employment not authorized.
- Student (F-1)
  - Study at approved educational institutions.
- Exchange (J-1)
  - To receive training in the “American Way”.
- Extraordinary Ability (O-1)
  - Sciences, art, business, education, athletics.



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