

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT THE ACADEMIC IMMIGRATION HANDBOOK

“As a Principal Designated School Official for over 30 years, my practice has always been grounded in the use of solid resource materials and expert professional networks. I picked up Adam Cohen’s *Academic Immigration Handbook* from the NAFSA Exhibition Hall, but reading chapter one prompted me to reach out and order extra copies for my staff in the Office of International Student Affairs at Grinnell College. Complex topics are offered with clarity, akin to reading a novel, and prompt us to re-visit and re-consider the impact of accessible language as we teach our students and scholars about the benefits and limitations of their status.”

—Karen ‘Ren’ Edwards (she/her), Dean, International Student Affairs, PDSO/RO, Grinnell College

“*The Academic Immigration Handbook* has been an essential onboarding and training tool for our staff members. This book is an easily digestible reference tool for our office as we navigate student and faculty immigration processes in an ever-changing immigration environment. My staff members frequently review the various chapters to ensure our processes remain compliant, and it has been particularly useful when working through immigration cases that are outside our most common scenarios. I would recommend this as an office reference and onboard training tool to any academic immigration department.”

—Denise Robb, Director, Office of Immigration, University of South Alabama

“*The Academic Immigration Handbook* is a valuable resource for international student and scholar advisers. Attorney Adam Cohen has many years of experience with academic immigration topics and is well known to NAFSA members.

His book is a thorough manual that covers multiple scenarios that international offices come across in their daily work with international students, researchers, staff, faculty, and graduate medical trainees. Having this book handy on your desk is a must, and our office uses it every day.”

—*Connie Childs, former Director, International Affairs, and current International Affairs Consultant, University of Tennessee Health Science Center*

“In *The Academic Immigration Handbook*, Adam Cohen provides a comprehensive and clear overview of the immigration complexities that matter most to immigration law practitioners in the higher education space. Cohen’s artful and engaging narrative style makes this handbook easy to understand for both experts and new practitioners, alike. That, combined with his invaluable sections on important institutional considerations, best practices and general resources, makes this handbook an indispensable resource to those practicing in academic U.S. immigration.”

—*David Muusz, Associate Director, Faculty and Staff Immigration Services, International Center, University of Michigan*

“Adam Cohen’s *Academic Immigration Handbook* is an indispensable tool for those of us working on immigration matters with international students, scholars, and researchers in an academic setting. This handbook is an excellent compilation of regulations, laws, and procedures explained in a very accessible manner for non-lawyer practitioners. It is also an essential guide and key source of best practices that provides great examples. I am thankful to Adam for generously sharing his knowledge on immigration topics in higher education, and making this fundamental material accessible to PDSOs, AROs, and international educators. This handbook is a vital reference and resource that guides the reader through complex concepts and processes in a thorough, clear, and comprehensive way. Currently, as we navigate such uncertain and unprecedented times, this handbook becomes even more relevant and necessary for our daily work. I highly recommend it.”

—*Frances J. Santiago Torres, PhD, PDSO/ARO, Coordinator of ISSS, University of Puerto Rico-Mayagüez Campus*

“*The Academic Immigration Handbook* has been fundamental to our ongoing practice, providing essential guidance that ensures compliance and best practices in international student and scholar advising. More than just a reference, it has become the framework upon which we build our onboarding and training programs, equipping our staff with the knowledge and confidence to support Penn State’s global community. Its clarity, depth, and practical approach make it an indispensable resource for both new and experienced professionals navi-

gating the complexities of academic immigration. Knowing that its author is not only an expert in the field but also a delight to interact with at professional events, it makes this resource even more valuable. It is reassuring to know Adam is on our team always willing to share his insight and expertise.

—Jody Pritt, Assistant Vice Provost, International Student & Scholar Advising, The Pennsylvania State University

“The Academic Immigration Handbook is a vital resource for anyone navigating the complexities of U.S. immigration in academia. As someone deeply involved in supporting international students, scholars, and employees, I can attest to its practicality and depth. Adam Cohen masterfully breaks down intricate processes—such as visa transitions, J-1 waivers, and green card pathways—into clear, actionable guidance, supported by cogent examples. With the ever-evolving immigration landscape, this annually updated handbook is a trusted tool for universities, offering clarity for both advisors and administrators.”

—Brandon McLeod, PhD, Campus Director, USF World, University of South Florida

