## Obtaining a Driver's License

All individuals who plan to drive in Alabama must have a valid Alabama state license or international license. Alabama requests that we issue a **Letter of Good Standing** to show that you are in the United States legally and that you are maintaining status. A letter within 30 days of issuance is accepted. If you request a Letter of Good Standing, you must apply for a Driver License or State ID within 30 days.

## **OVERVIEW OF THE PROCESS**

After you have settled in, you can take the licensing exam and obtain a license. The driver's license test center (Department of Motor Vehicles) is located at 1115-A Church Street, Huntsville, AL 35801. Before going to get your driver license or state ID, schedule an appointment with the DMV. If you are applying for the first time, you must first pass a computer test. Register for the appointment titled "DL New (not road test)". Upon passing the computer test, you will schedule an appointment for "DL Road Test" at the DMV or online. If you are renewing your license you may register for "DL New (not road test)".

You will need to take the documents listed below:

- Letter of good academic standing from DSO (within last 30 days)
- A valid foreign passport with Visa or resident alien card.
- Form I-20 or DS-2019 with at least 160 days (approximately 6 months) before Program End Date
- Valid I-94 from most recent entry to the US from https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov
- A second picture ID, such as your AAMU student ID

For more information, visit the Madison County License Department website. https://www.madisoncountyal.gov/departments/license-department