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Extension of Stay (for Students in F-1 Status)

Your permission to stay in the US ends on the date listed on item 5 on your I-20. If you need to stay beyond the date listed on your I-20 and you meet the conditions outlined above, you will need to complete the extension application. You are eligible for an extension of stay if:

- You are currently and will continue to be a full-time student;
- You have always been a full-time student (delayed (DL), excused (EX), and withdrawn (Y) grades, do not count towards full-time enrollment);
- You are making satisfactory progress towards the completion of your educational program;
- You can demonstrate funding for the period of your extension; and,
- You do not have a hold on your student account.

An extension can be granted for only up to one year at a time. If you will require more than one year to complete you program, you will need to request additional extension(s) in subsequent semester(s).

Approximately four weeks before your I-20 expires, you need to submit the following documents to ISS:

1. I-20 request form (attached);
2. “Academic Advisor’s Recommendation for an Extension of a Program of Study” completed and signed by your academic advisor (attached); and
3. Financial documents: e.g., bank statement or letter from a bank. Please use the guide below to determine how much funding will need to be shown. If your remaining courseload will not necessitate your enrollment as a full-time student, please see our office for updated financial figures. If you have any dependents in the United States, you will also have to provide evidence of additional support as shown on the I-20 request form for those dependents.

	Full Year	One Semester Only
Undergraduate, full fees	\$25,900	\$12,950
Undergraduate, sponsored	\$17,030	\$8515
Graduate, full fees	\$24,750	\$12,375
Graduate, sponsored	\$16,245	\$8125
Graduate, PLN	-no documentation needed-	-no documentation needed-
Graduate, assistantship	-letter from department- (minimum stipend: \$13,881)	-letter from department- (minimum stipend: \$6940)
Doctoral, assistantship	-letter from department- (minimum stipend: \$18,508)	-letter from department- (minimum stipend: \$9253)

Please note: these fees are an estimate of your expenses only; actual fees may vary. These fees include tuition fees plus living/housing expenses and health insurance. Fees are likely to rise approximately 6% to 10% annually.

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Request for an extension of an I-20 document

Your Name: _____ , _____
Family/Last Name Given/First Name(s)

Student Number: _____ Today's Date: _____

Email Address: _____
please print clearly

Your Degree Program/Major: _____

Current Level: Bachelor's Master's Graduate Certificate PhD OD
select one

Country of Birth: _____ Citizenship: _____

Will you be traveling outside of the United States soon? Yes No
select one

If yes, where? _____

If yes, when does your visa expire? _____

If you have dependents in the US, please list their names and relationships to you below:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Note: If you have dependents in the US, additional annual funds of \$4000 for a spouse and \$3500 per child must be shown (halve these figures if you need an extension of only one semester).

For use by OISSS staff only	
Hold(s)? _____	Current enrollment: _____
Periods of RCL? _____	

Academic Advisor's Recommendation for an Extension of a Program of Study

Student Information (student completes this section)

Your Name: _____ , _____
Family/Last Name Given/First Name(s)

Student Number: _____ Today's Date: _____

Your Degree Program/Major: _____

Current Level: Bachelor's Master's Graduate Certificate PhD OD
select one

Extension Recommendation (advisor completes this section)

This form will help to facilitate the extension of the program for an international student. Please complete this form fully if you think the student should be given additional time to complete her/his degree.

1. Is this student making normal progress towards her/his current degree? Yes No
select one
2. Do you recommend this student be given additional time for her/his studies? Yes No
select one
3. The student needs _____ credit hour(s) for _____ semester(s) to complete program of study
4. The student should graduate in _____
5. This student has not completed the current program due to a delay caused by (check all that apply):
 - A change in major field of study
 - A loss of credits upon transfer to UM-St. Louis
 - The need for additional academic preparation for major (e.g., ESL, prerequisites, etc.)
 - A change in research topic (for graduate students only)
 - Unexpected research problems (for graduate students only)
 - Other (please explain):

Signature

Date

Print Name

Title