



F-1 Extension of Status Request

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) requires that you finish your program of study by the completion date on your I-20. The date on the I-20 is established by the International Student and Scholar Center admissions to reflect the average length of time it should take a student to complete the degree requirements. If, during the course of your studies it becomes necessary to extend your I-20, ISSC can provide I-20 extensions to those who are eligible **and** apply in a timely manner.

Eligibility

You must request a program extension before the program end date of your current I-20. Failure to do so will result in loss of your F-1 status.

In order to obtain a program extension, you must show that you have continually maintained status and that the extension is needed for compelling academic or medical reasons, such as a change of major (before your final semester) or research topic, unexpected research problems, or a documented illness. Delays in completing your program caused by academic probation or suspension are not acceptable reasons for program extension approval [8 CFR § 214.2 (f) (7) (iii)].

A program extension can be granted **only** for documented academic or medical reasons. You may be eligible for an I- 20



F-1 Program Extension Request Form

This form is to be used by continuing students to request a 20% extension to complete degree requirements.

Part 1-To be completed by the Student:

Family/Last Name: _____ Given Name(s): _____

WSU ID: _____ Phone#: _____ Email: _____

Please list all sources of financial support*: