



Hampton University International

F-1 / I-20 EXTENSION OF STAY APPLICATION

As an F-1 student, you were admitted to the United States for “D/S” as indicated on your I-94. D/S, or Duration of Status, means that you may remain in the U.S. as long as you maintain lawful full-time student status. However, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) requires that you finish your program of study by the expected completion date noted in section 5 of your I-20. If you will not complete your program by the expected completion date, you must file for an extension **BEFORE the end date on your current I-20**. Failure to file a timely application will result in loss of F-1 status. I-20 Extensions are granted in maximum 12-month increments.

To be eligible for an extension of stay you must:

- Have continually maintained full-time F-1 status, AND
- Have extenuating academic or medical reasons causes the delay in completion.

For Example:

1. Change of major or research topic
2. Unexpected research problems
3. Loss of credits upon transfer to Hampton University
4. Documented illness

Please Note: Delays due to academic probation or suspension do not qualify for extension.

Your I-20 must be extended **prior** to the program end date or you will have to apply for reinstatement to Immigration, which involves a fee, and may disqualify you from future employment authorization

A) To apply for an extension submit the following to the International Office:

1. Academic Adviser’s recommendation (on next page)
2. Your original I-20 ID (Student) Copy
3. Letter of support from your department (if you are receiving financial support)

B) Upon favorable review of your application for extension the International Office will type a new I-20 for you, which you will have to sign. **Immigration requires you to keep ALL copies of your I-20s together.**

Name: _____

HUID: _____ E-Mail: _____

Local Address: _____

Phone: (home) _____ Office or Lab: _____

Degree Pursing: Level: _____ Major: _____

Address in Home Country: _____

**ACADEMIC ADVISER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME LIMITATION FOR A PROGRAM OF STUDY**

Student's Name: _____ HUID: _____

Academic Adviser: This form is provided to facilitate the communication of certain information required by Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) regulations. Its completion is necessary for a student in F-1 status to request an extension of the time limitation placed by INS upon the student's current program of study. Please contact the Hampton University International Office at 757-728-6914 regarding any questions you may have. Please complete this form in full and return it to the student.

1. This student will complete requirements for his/her program on: / /
(Give graduation date)

2. This student has not yet completed the current program of study due to (please respond to all reasons that apply):

_____ Delay caused by a change in major field of study from _____ to _____

_____ Delay caused by a change in research topic from _____
to _____

_____ Delay caused by unexpected research problems: Explain _____

_____ Delay caused by lost credits upon transfer to Hampton University

_____ Other: Explain: _____

I therefore recommend that this student be allowed this additional time to complete studies.

Academic Adviser's Signature: _____

Name and Title (please print): _____

Department (please print): _____

Department Chair's Signature: _____ Date: _____