



F-1 / I-20 EXTENSION OF PROGRAM END DATE REQUEST

As an F-1 student, you are admitted in 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 USCIS 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 your program 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 a maximum of 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 that 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 with USCIS, which involves filing fees, and may disqualify you from future employment authorization.

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

1. This signed I-20 Extension Request.
2. Your current original I-20.
3. Academic Adviser’s recommendation (on next page)
4. 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 endorse and issue a new I-20 for you, which you will have to sign.

By signing this document, I certify that I understand the procedure for my I-20 program end date extension.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

SEVIS #: _____ HUID: _____ Phone No.: _____

U.S. Address: _____

Address in Home Country: _____

Program Level: Bachelor Master Ph.D. Major: _____

Current Graduation Date (Program End Date listed on I-20): _____

Desired New Graduation Date (New Program End Date): _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

**ACADEMIC ADVISER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR EXTENSION OF PROGRAM
END DATE**

Student's First Name: _____ Student's Last Name: _____

HUID: _____

Academic Adviser: This form is provided to facilitate the communication of certain information required by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Its completion is necessary for a student in F-1 status to request an extension of the time limitation placed by DHS 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 is expected to complete requirements for his/her program on: ___/___/____
(Give current graduation date)

2. However, 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 cause by lost credits upon transfer to Hampton University. Explain:

- Delay caused by compelling medical needs or documented illness. Explain:

- Other. Explain:

3. I therefore recommend that this student be allowed additional time to complete his/her program until:
___/___/____ (Give new graduation date).

Academic Advisor's Name: _____ Phone No.: _____ E-mail: _____

Academic Advisor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Department's Chair's Name: _____ Phone No.: _____ E-mail: _____

Department's Chair's Signature: _____ Date: _____

This form must be submitted to Hampton University International Office for approval.