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The International Student Center (ISC) will help you stay in good immigration status by providing you with information needed to maintain your F-1 student status. However, it is your responsibility to maintain your F-1 status. If you are unsure of how to maintain your status, you should contact ISC for clarification. If you violate the terms of your F-1 student status, ISC will assist you, to the extent possible, to correct your F-1 status.

- 1. You must check in with ISC at the beginning of every semester to register your SEVIS record and submit updated immigration documents, such as your I-94 record (<u>www.cbp.gov/i94</u>). The deadline to check in with ISC is the ADD period deadline (approximately 2 weeks after the start of the semester).
- 2. You must report your U.S. residential address to ISC and WebSmart within 10 days of moving.
- 3. Make sure that your I-20 reflects your current program of study. If you change your major or your I-20 is expiring, you must request a change of major at the time of change or extension *before* your I-20 expires.
- 4. You must enroll full-time (at least 12 units) and attend classes every fall and spring semesters. Dropped classes do not count and only one online class counts towards full-time enrollment. If you do not enroll full-time, you must request an updated I-20 with Reduced Course Load (RCL) authorization. RCL authorizations are only eligible for medical/health or valid academic reasons. You may register for classes at another SMCCD college but not at all three colleges and the majority of units must be at Cañada College.
- 5. You must make normal academic progress towards completion of study and attend all classes. If you do not earn a GPA of 2.0 or above, you will be on academic probation. If you are on academic probation for more than 2 consecutive semesters, you will be academically dismissed and your SEVIS record will be terminated.
- 6. You must submit academic progress reports that will be mailed to you mid-semester. If you fail to submit progress reports, a registration hold will prevent you from registering for class in the following semester.
- 7. You must not work off campus without requesting an updated I-20 with CPT authorization or employment authorization from USCIS. To learn more about working off campus, attend an Employment Workshop.
- 8. Submit tax forms for each year you are present in the U.S. Tax Workshops will be held in the spring.
- 9. Obey all U.S. and California laws, and Cañada College's Student Code of Conduct in the College Catalog on pages 30-32 (www.canadacollege.edu/catalog).
- 10. If you plan on travelling outside of the U.S., make sure that the F-1 visa stamp in your passport is valid and the Travel Signature on the last page of your I-20 is dated within 6 months of your reentry into the U.S.
- 11. When you complete your studies, you must do one of the following within your 60-day grace period: 1) leave the U.S., which ends your F-1 status, 2) obtain a new I-20 for a new program of study (transfer), 3) apply for Optional Practical Training employment authorization, or 4) change your immigration status.

□ I have read, understood, and agree to my responsibilities as an F-1 international student. I understand that if I violate my responsibilities as an F-1 international student, my SEVIS record will be terminated and I will work closely with the International Student Center staff to correct my F-1 student status.