

	<u>Normal F-1 Regulations</u>	<u>Fall 2020 F-1 ICE Guidance</u>					
	All Students	Continuing F-1 students studying within the U.S.	Continuing F-1 students studying outside the U.S.	New F-1 students studying in the U.S.	New F-1 students studying outside the U.S.	New students transferring in and studying in the U.S.	New students transferring in and studying outside the U.S.
SEVIS Record Status	Students cannot maintain an Active SEVIS record if they are taking coursework from outside of the U.S.	Active	Active	Initial Status will become Active after arrival in the U.S. and check-in with OASIS.	Initial Students can begin their program taking virtual coursework from outside the U.S. however SEVIS status will remain Initial and the I-20 will be deferred to Spring 21.  Note: Students must work with their advisor to make needed course adjustments.	Transfer Pending Status will become Active after arrival in the U.S. and check-in with OASIS.	Transfer Pending Students can begin their program taking virtual coursework from outside the U.S. However, OASIS will have to request a data fix in SEVIS to change the initial start date once the student is able to travel to the U.S.  Note: Students must work with their advisor to make needed course adjustments.
Online Coursework	Students can only take one online course per semester that counts toward full-time enrollment.	Students should remain in their current course schedule, which should primarily consist of courses converted to a hybrid format. Students will be allowed to pursue online coursework in excess of normal regulation as deemed necessary by their academic advisor.	Students may take all online or a combination of hybrid and online courses pending approval from their academic advisor.	Students should remain in their current course schedule, which should primarily consist of courses converted to a hybrid format. Students will be allowed to pursue online coursework in excess of normal regulation as deemed necessary by their academic advisor.	Students may take all online or a combination of hybrid and online courses pending approval from their academic advisor.	Students should remain in their current course schedule, which should primarily consist of courses converted to a hybrid format. Students will be allowed to pursue online coursework in excess of normal regulation as deemed necessary by their academic advisor.	Students may take all online or a combination of hybrid and online courses pending approval from their academic advisor.
Part-time/Full-time Enrollment	Students must be enrolled full-time every semester.  Note: Students in their final semester before graduation can apply for Reduced Course Load Authorization.	Students must be enrolled full-time every semester.  Note: Students in their final semester before graduation can apply for Reduced Course Load Authorization.	Students must be enrolled full-time every semester.  Note: Students in their final semester before graduation can apply for Reduced Course Load Authorization.	Students must be enrolled full-time every semester.	Students may be enrolled part-time or full-time, but should work with their advisor to determine appropriate load.	Students must be enrolled full-time every semester.	Students may be enrolled part-time or full-time, but should work with their advisor to determine appropriate load.
Remarks on I-20	No remarks are required.	No remarks are required.	Students should have "Outside the United States due to COVID-19." in the remarks section of the I-20. OASIS will update I-20s for students who report this plan for Fall 20.	No remarks are required.	No remarks are required as I-20 start date is deferred.	No remarks are required.	No remarks are required as I-20 start date is deferred.
CPT/OPT Eligibility	Students must be in active F-1 status for at least two semesters before they can apply for CPT or OPT.	Students must be in active F-1 status for at least two semesters before they can apply for CPT or OPT.	Students must be in active F-1 status for at least two semesters before they can apply for CPT or OPT.  Note: Students graduating in Fall must return to the U.S. before their I-20 Program End Date in order to apply for OPT. Students cannot apply for OPT from outside the U.S.	Students must be in active F-1 status for at least two semesters before they can apply for CPT or OPT.	Students must be in active F-1 status for at least two semesters before they can apply for CPT or OPT.  Note: New F-1 students taking coursework from outside the U.S. during FA 20, then entering the U.S. for SP 21 will not be eligible for CPT or OPT until SP 22.	Students must be in active F-1 status for at least two semesters before they can apply for CPT or OPT.	Students must be in active F-1 status for at least two semesters before they can apply for CPT or OPT.  Note: SEVP guidance is not yet clear if CPT or OPT can be authorized before SP 22.