



Hello [user:first_name],

International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) is writing to share an important immigration update regarding the final rule on Duration of Status for F, J, and I visa holders.

We understand that this news may cause concern, and we want to reassure you that ISSS and other campus partners are aware of the final rule, and ISSS is actively reviewing the information available. We are also monitoring for additional guidance from the CSU Chancellor's Office, NAFSA: Association of International Educators, and official government sources.

When do changes go into effect?

The Department of Homeland Security published the final rule on **July 17, 2026**, and the rule is scheduled to take effect on **September 15, 2026**. This rule introduces significant changes to how F-1 and J-1 students may be admitted to the United States and how students may need to request additional time to remain in the United States in the future.

At this time, students should **not panic** or assume that immediate action is required solely because the final rule has been published. Current rules remain in effect until the final rule's effective date. However, students should stay alert, monitor their CSUSB email, and begin becoming familiar with their immigration documents.

Immigration Updates Webpage

As we move through the next few months, ISSS will continue learning more about the full impact of the rule. We will communicate with students individually if we identify a situation that may require immediate action. We

are also sharing information with campus departments and leadership so that students are referred to ISSS for immigration-related guidance..

Duration of Status Final Rule Webpage

For now, please continue to follow the immigration requirements that apply to your current status, including maintaining full-time enrollment, updating your address as required, following employment authorization rules, and contacting ISSS before making changes to your enrollment, employment, travel, program plans, or immigration status.

Please Review our Maintaining Status Webpage

Future ISSS email updates will provide more information about specific topics, including Form I-94, Admit Until Date, program end dates, travel, extensions, OPT/STEM OPT, and academic changes.

Thank you for your patience as we work to provide accurate and complete guidance. ISSS will continue to support our international student community as we review and respond to this developing change.

For immigration-related questions, contact ISSS at iss@csusb.edu.

Sincerely,



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