

I-20 Program Extension

Students who need additional time to complete their degree may request an I-20 program extension. I-20 extensions are subject to eligibility and are not guaranteed. I-20 Extension Requests must be received **at least 30 days prior to the SEVIS Program End Date listed on the I-20.**

Student Eligibility

To be eligible for an I-20 program extension, the following generally must be true:

- The student is currently in active F-1 status.
- The student is in good academic standing (GPA 2.0 or higher).
- The student has made continued academic progress in their degree program.
 - No more than 15 credits of classes with grades (Fs or Ds) that do not count toward degree.
 - A change of major may be a factor for an extension request, but does not guarantee extension approval.
- The student has sufficient financial support for additional time in the U.S.
- The student has not received previous extension(s) totaling 1 year past their original I-20 Program End Date.

I-20 Program Extension Process with International Advisor

- Complete an I-20 Extension Request Form.
- Submit this form with updated proof of financial support to an International Advisor. Financial support must be a bank statement/letter and sponsor form/letter.
- Wait for your request to be reviewed. Your International Advisor will notify you via your Butler email if the request is approved or denied.

I-20 Program Extension Request Form

This request form must be submitted **at least 30 days prior to the SEVIS Program End Date listed on the I-20.** To be eligible for an updated I-20, students must be in active F1 status, in good academic standing and making academic progress, have funds for additional time, have no active holds, and have a compelling reason for needing additional time. **Program extensions are not guaranteed.**

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Butler ID# _____ SEVIS ID _____

SEVIS Program Start Date: _____ SEVIS Program End Date (current): _____

SEVIS Program Extension Requested Through (semester): _____

Program Extension Reason(s)

_____ Additional courses due to initial placement

_____ Medical RCL

_____ Additional courses due to change of major

_____ Other (explain)

_____ Program cohort / course cycle availability

_____ Academic RCL

In the box, explain why you need a program extension beyond your original I-20 program dates.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

To be completed by International Advisor:

☐ Approved

☐ Denied

☐ Pending with conditions

Updated SEVIS Program End Date: _____

☐ Entered in SPACMNT & GOASEVS

☐ Submitted in SEVIS, printed I-20 for student

Advisor: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____