

LEAVE OF ABSENCE INSTRUCTIONS

You cannot enter the U.S. more than 30 days before the program starting date of your returning quarter.

You have two I-20 options for returning to the U.S. following a leave of absence:

1. Reactivation

You may be eligible to return to the U.S. using your current SEVIS# I-20 if you meet all conditions listed below. An F-1 Immigration Specialist will work with you to request your SEVIS record reactivation. When you return, you **will not be eligible for a vacation quarter** until you complete three quarters of full-time study.

Reactivation Eligibility Check List (all conditions must be met)

1. Resuming study within five months from the last enrollment
2. No leave of absence was taken within the past three quarters
3. Has been maintaining immigration status at least past two quarters
4. Has been making normal academic progress
5. If currently placed on Intervention or Suspension, requires F-1 Immigration Specialist to review eligibility
6. Has proof of departure from the U.S. within 15 days of the withdrawal date (e.g. copy of flight reservation)

Proof of departure reservation attached.

I will submit proof of departure later. I understand my reactivation request cannot be approved until I submit the document.

Date of last attendance at SCC: _____

MONTH/DAY/YEAR

Returning Quarter: _____

QUARTER/YEAR

Date leaving the U.S.: _____

MONTH/DAY/YEAR

2. New SEVIS# I-20

If you are not eligible for reactivation or prefer to receive a new SEVIS# I-20, F-1 Immigration Specialist will issue you a new I-20 document. You will lose benefits that you have earned under your current SEVIS# I-20 and need to pay the I-901 SEVIS fee (\$200) again at www.fmjfee.com.

Returning Quarter: _____

QUARTER

YEAR

Financial document attached

(e.g. bank statement, financial guarantee letter issued within 6 months. Copy is accepted)

I will submit a financial document later. I understand my new I-20 will not be processed until I submit the document.

How would you like to receive your I-20?

Pick up Mail to my home country (complete information below)

Regular mail

Express mail (\$35) – <https://tinyurl.com/k4cefvv>

Address: _____

Street

City

Province

Country

Zip/postal code

Phone #:

Country code

Area code

Phone #

Personal Email: _____

(If you cannot access the college email while you are outside of the U.S.)