

Application for a Change of Status to F-1

- [Form G-1145](#)
- [Form I-539](#) and fee
 - **\$455** for the \$370 filing fee + \$85 biometric fee (for each co-applicant) paid by check or money order to "U.S. Department of Homeland Security."
- **Copy of valid and properly executed Form I-20**
- **Proof of payment of the SEVIS I-901 fee** (www.fmjfee.com)
- **Copy of Form I-94**
 - White paper card or electronic copy
- **Copies of current immigration status documents, visa stamp, and passport ID pages**
- **Copies of financial support documents**
 - The minimum financial amount that must be shown is the tuition and living expenses cost that is noted on your change of status I-20.
- **Letter from the student**
 - It is optional to send a letter explaining why you want to change your status to F-1. However, a strong letter can help convince USCIS of your temporary intent as well as persuade USCIS that you did not have a pre-conceived intention to study in the United States.
- **Primary visa holder's most recent I-94, visa, passport, and current immigration status documents** (if applicable)

Mail to:

USCIS
P.O. Box 660166
Dallas, TX 75266

Express mail:

USCIS
ATTN: I-539
2501 S. State Highway 121 Business
Suite 400
Lewisville, TX 75067

*B-1/B-2 visa holders are not eligible to take classes until F-1 status approval is received.

*F-2 visa holders are not eligible to attend full-time until F-1 status approval is received.