

## Application for Reinstatement to F-1

- [Form G-1145](#)
- [Form I-539](#) and fee
  - The \$370 filing fee is paid by check or money order to "U.S. Department of Homeland Security."
  - The word "**REINSTATEMENT**" should be written at the top of the form and "Reinstatement to student status" box checked in Part 2, #3.
- **Copy of valid and properly executed Form I-20**
- **A letter from the student explaining the situation and requesting a reinstatement**
  - The letter should state why you are out of status (specify the violation); the reason for the status violation; the effect on you if you fail to receive reinstatement; a statement that you are currently pursuing or intending to pursue a full course of study; and specifically request that USCIS reinstate you to F-1 student status.
- **A letter from the DSO (if applicable)**
  - The DSO can write a letter recommending reinstatement and provide corroboration of the situation, particularly when the violation of status resulted from an error on the part of the DSO.
- **Proof of full-time enrollment**
  - Enrollment verification and/or class schedule
- **Copy of Form I-94**
  - White paper card or electronic copy
- **Copies of current 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 reinstatement I-20.
- **Any additional evidence to establish the nature of the violation**
  - This includes documentation that the violation occurred less than 5 months ago or to justify why it should be accepted even if the violation occurred more than 5 months ago. DHS may request that you submit transcripts as well.
- **Proof of payment of the SEVIS I-901 fee ([www.fmjfee.com](http://www.fmjfee.com))**
  - If you have been out of status for more than 5 months, then you must pay a new SEVIS fee. If you have been out of status for less than 5 months, then you do not need to pay a new SEVIS fee.

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