# **Extension of Time to Complete Program**

#### **Definition:**

If a student is unable to complete the program by the completion date in #5 on the I-20 or #3 on the DS-2019, she/he must apply to extend the I-20 or DS-2019 until the program completion. An "Extension of Time to Complete Program" can be granted to students who have continually maintained F-1 or J-1 status and whose program completion has been delayed due to compelling academic or medical reasons.

### Eligibility:

In order to be eligible for an "Extension of Time to Complete Program":

1. You must have continually maintained your F-1 or J-1 status and

2. Your delay must have been caused by compelling medical or academic reasons, such as documented illness, changes in major or research topic, or unexpected research problems.

#### When to Apply:

The student must apply for the extension **before** the program completion date on the I-20 or DS-2019 document. If the expiration date on the document has passed and an extension has not been requested, the student is in violation of status and may, in unique cases, apply for reinstatement.

## Procedures:

To apply for an "Extension of Time to Complete Program" you must submit:

1. A completed "Academic Advisor's Recommendation Form for Program Extension" completed by you and your Academic

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Academic Advisor's Recommendation

If you have any questions regarding this form, contact the IPO at (208) 885-8984.

This section to be completed by the student:							
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