

12 x 12 Expectations for F-1 and J-1 Students

To be successful as an international student at UC Davis, I understand that

1. I must register for and complete a minimum of twelve (12) units each quarter per United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) regulations. I will furthermore complete a minimum of nine (9) of those credits in a traditional classroom setting, not online.
2. I will not engage in unauthorized paid or unpaid (volunteer) off-campus employment, understanding that such action may result in the termination of my immigration status.
3. I am required to have health insurance or else risk being dropped from my classes, which may result in violating my immigration status.
4. I must pay all fees and tuition costs that are in effect when I register for classes each term in full by the payment deadline or else risk being dropped from my classes, which may result in violating my immigration status.
5. I will complete the SISS Extended Orientation online module by the deadline or risk having a registration hold placed on my student record. Details will be emailed to my UC Davis email.
6. I must update my current address and telephone number in the United States via iGlobal at <https://iGlobal.ucdavis.edu> within ten (10) days of the change of address or telephone number.
7. My passport must be valid for at least 6 months into the future during my stay in the United States.
8. I must keep my I-20/DS-2019 updated and current with respect to ending dates, changes of major, changes of program level (Bachelor's to Master's), funding, dependents, and so on.
9. I must get a travel signature on page 2 of my I-20 from SISS prior to leaving the United States. I understand that travel signatures are valid for one year and I must go to SISS for additional signatures when the old signature expires.
10. If I experience academic difficulty, I will immediately schedule an appointment to meet with **both** my SISS International Student Advisor (undergraduates and graduates) and Dean's Office International Academic Advisor (undergraduate students only).
11. If I violate my immigration status, I must leave the United States immediately.
12. If I have questions about the information on this agreement, I will schedule an appointment with an international student advisor at SISS.

Although the SISS staff is highly knowledgeable in immigration regulatory issues and can assist with processing immigration documents, the advice that we provide is not legal advice.

I have read and understand these expectations and I will acknowledge responsibility to comply with USCIS regulations and UC Davis policy.