As an international student, you have an obligation to comply with the immigration laws and regulations of the United States. It is illegal to violate U.S. federal immigration laws and regulations for any reason. As a student in F-1 or J-1 status, you are responsible for learning, understanding, and complying with the U.S. laws and regulations that apply to you. Your failure to be aware of and comply with these requirements could jeopardize your academic plans.

You need to remember the following:

- Attend the university you are authorized to attend on your I-20/DS-2019.
- Complete the immigration transfer procedure when transferring to another school in the U.S.
- Be in good academic standing and make satisfactory academic progress. Suspension, dismissal, enrollment withheld, expulsion, or any other similar action which prevents enrollment may have an effect on legal immigration status. See an advisor at the International Center.
- Extend the I-20/DS-2019 form prior to its expiration date if unable to complete academic program by original expiration date.
- In the event of change of academic program or level, update the I-20/DS-2019 in a timely fashion.
- Maintain full-time enrollment during the academic year:
  - Undergraduate students must enroll for 12 credit hours per term, while graduate students must enroll for 8 credit hours (or number of credit hours defined by the specific graduate program) per term. During any given term in which you have been officially appointed by the department as a Graduate Student Research Assistant (GSRA) or Graduate Student Instructor (GSI), you may enroll for 6 credit hours. Courses taken as ‘visit’ or ‘audit’ do not count towards full-time enrollment for immigration purposes.
  - Limit on-campus employment to 20 hours per week during academic year. J-1 students are required to obtain authorization from the International Center before engaging in on-campus employment.
- Do not work off campus without authorization.
- Keep your passport valid at all times. The passport must be valid for at least 6 months into the future on the day you return to the U.S. from a trip abroad.
- Maintain health insurance coverage.
- Notify the IC if you leave the program before the end date of your I-20/DS-2019.
- If your permanent or current address changes, update your address through Wolverine Access within 10 days of moving at [http://wolverineaccess.umich.edu/](http://wolverineaccess.umich.edu/).
- Check your University of Michigan e-mail regularly for updates from the International Center and read IC e-mails carefully. Follow up on these e-mails as necessary.
- Ask an International Center advisor any questions you may have regarding your immigration status or regulations.

I have read and understand this information, and knowingly accept full responsibility for maintaining my status as an international student during the duration of my studies at the University of Michigan.