

An F-1 student who is "out of status" may apply for "reinstatement" to the US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to regain F-1 status. As an alternative to reinstatement, a student may leave the United States and return on a new form I-20 marked for "initial attendance." Students should contact the Office of International Services to discuss and determine which option is best for reinstatement.

*Except in extraordinary circumstances, USCIS will deny an application for reinstatement when the violation occurred more than five (5) months prior to the application*

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I-539 can be downloaded from: <http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/i-539.pdf> – completely filled out. Form
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