

**International Student  
Extension of Stay Form**

INS regulations 214.2(f)(7) require an international student who is unable to complete his or her educational objective by the Program End Date on the Form I-20 to apply for a program extension **prior to the program end date** of the I-20. *You may extend your program for compelling academic reasons, such as changes of major or research topics, unexpected research problems, or for medical reasons. Delays caused by academic probation or suspension or by financial difficulties are not acceptable reasons for program extensions.* Please complete this form (with your academic adviser if delay caused by academic reasons) and return it to Don or Iola.

If you receive financial aid, please be aware that International Student Scholarships are available for up to eight semesters only. If you have taken three or more credits in summer sessions and received aid for those summer sessions, that will be considered as one semester of the eight semesters.

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Concordia ID Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Academic Adviser's Recommendation for Program Extension Caused by  
Compelling Academic Reasons**

Academic adviser or department chair: This form is provided for your convenience to facilitate the communication of information about INS regulations for international students extending their stay.

Please review the *information above* and complete

Student's major(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's minor(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of credits earned thus far \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated graduation date \_\_\_\_\_

Delay in program completion is caused by:

- change in major or minor or adding majors or minors to original program
- lost credits when transferring
- original completion estimate was unreasonable for an average student in this program
- other – please explain in detail on reverse.

I recommend the student be granted additional time to complete the course of study.

Academic Adviser's or Chair's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Adviser's or Chair's name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Program Extension Request for Medical Reasons**

Please attach an explanation of what medical reasons have caused the delay in your program and medical documentation supporting the explanation.

**DSO procedure**

Review and if you approve update SEVIS (including major and minor information) and issue a new Form I-20. reflecting the new program end date. DSO may grant an extension anytime **prior to** the student's end date.

If the program end date has passed, the student is considered out of status and may apply for reinstatement under the provisions of paragraph (f)(16).