

Message from the ISO: INFORMATION FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS (J-1 degree seeking only)

1. Students completing their program this Spring 2008 semester who want to apply for Academic Training (AT) benefit through the ISO or your J-1 sponsor (IIE, LASPAU, USAID, etc) should apply before the completion date. Deadline for AT application is 10 days prior to the completion date. Failure to meet the deadlines will result in the loss of your AT benefit.

2. Upon completion of studies, J-1 students must be in one of the following situations:

- Must have already applied for AT.
- Admitted to a new program at ASU or other institution. If you intend to enter another degree program here at ASU, you must contact the ISO or your current program sponsor (IIE, LASPAU, USAID, etc) to request a DS-2019 reflecting the new program. If you transfer to another US institution, you must contact the ISO or your J-1 sponsor for SEVIS transfer process information.
- Applied for change to another immigration status. If you have received a Notice of Action from USCIS regarding a change of your immigration status, please contact the ISO immediately to get your record updated in SEVIS.

IMPORTANT! If NOT in any of the above situations, students must depart the USA within 30 days.

3. Further Important Notes:

- After completion of studies, you are not allowed to continue to work on campus as a student. Any student employment after degree completion is considered unauthorized and will jeopardize your immigration status.
- Graduating students are advised to keep their immigration documents indefinitely. After you leave the University, the ISO keeps your file for a limited period only and will not be able to assist with requests for documents or verification of student status after files have been destroyed.

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