

# F-I ADVANCED: THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

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# TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- ▶ **Education:** Change of Level, Program Extension, Reduced Course Load
- ▶ **Employment:** CPT, OPT, On-Campus, Severe Economic Hardship, International Organization
- ▶ **Other:** Change of Status, Reinstatement, Terminations, Leave of Absences
- ▶ **Case Discussion**
- ▶ **Q&A**

# EDUCATION: CHANGE OF LEVELS

- ▶ What is involved?
  - ▶ Paperwork Processing, SEVIS, etc.
- ▶ What triggers it?
  - ▶ Graduation List, Application/Email or Reports
- ▶ Who is involved?
  - ▶ Offices, Departments, etc.
- ▶ When is it processed?
  - ▶ Semester Time-Line
- ▶ Possible Complications

# EDUCATION: PROGRAM EXTENSIONS

- ▶ What is involved?
  - ▶ Paperwork Processing, SEVIS, Etc.
- ▶ What triggers it?
  - ▶ Graduation vs. Program Information Update
- ▶ Who is involved?
  - ▶ Offices, Departments, Etc.
- ▶ When is it processed?
  - ▶ Semester Time-Line
- ▶ Possible Complications

# EDUCATION: REDUCED COURSE LOADS

- ▶ What is involved?
  - ▶ Paperwork Processing, SEVIS, Etc.
- ▶ What triggers it?
  - ▶ Email/Application, Program end date, or Reports
- ▶ Who is involved?
  - ▶ Offices, Departments, Etc.
- ▶ When is it processed?
  - ▶ Semester Time-Line
- ▶ Possible Complications

# EMPLOYMENT: CPT

## ▶ How is it justified?

- ▶ Internship Required vs. Elective, Course Component
- ▶ Program Requirement vs. License

## ▶ What is involved?

- ▶ Paperwork Processing, SEVIS, Etc.

## ▶ Who is involved?

- ▶ Offices, Departments, Etc.

## ▶ When is it done?

- ▶ Academic semester vs. Summer

## ▶ Possible Complications

# EMPLOYMENT: OPT

- ▶ When is it processed?
  - ▶ Graduation/Coursework  
Complication vs. Commencement
- ▶ Possible Complications
- ▶ What is involved?
  - ▶ Paperwork Processing, SEVIS, Etc.
- ▶ Who is involved?
  - ▶ Offices, Departments, Etc.

# EMPLOYMENT: SEVERE ECONOMIC HARDSHIP AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION

- ▶ What is involved?
  - ▶ Paperwork Processing, SEVIS, Etc.
- ▶ Who is involved?
  - ▶ Offices, Departments, Etc.
- ▶ When is it done?
  - ▶ ??
- ▶ Possible Complications?



# OTHER: CHANGE OF STATUS

- ▶ What is involved?
  - ▶ Paperwork Processing, SEVIS, Etc.
- ▶ Who is involved?
  - ▶ Offices, Departments, Etc.
- ▶ When is it done?
  - ▶ Based on Program Dates
- ▶ Possible Complications

# OTHER: REINSTATEMENT

- ▶ What is involved?
  - ▶ Paperwork Processing, SEVIS, Etc.
- ▶ Who is involved?
  - ▶ Offices, Departments, Etc.
- ▶ When is it done?
  - ▶ ?? At the time of the request
- ▶ Possible Complications

# OTHER: TERMINATIONS

- ▶ Good Vs. Bad
  - ▶ Determination of Terminations
  - ▶ Possible Complications
- ▶ What triggers it?
  - ▶ Academic, Immigration, Etc.
- ▶ Who is involved?
  - ▶ Offices, Departments, Etc.
- ▶ When is it processed?
  - ▶ Semester Time-Line

# OTHER: LEAVE OF ABSENCES

- ▶ Research Abroad
- ▶ Study Abroad
- ▶ Leaving US but not an academic program
- ▶ Possible Complications

QUESTIONS??

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# Q&A: RESOURCES

- ▶ NAFSA – International Student Advising Network
  - ▶ [http://www.nafsa.org/Connect and Network/Engage with a Community/Knowledge Community for International Student and Scholar Services/](http://www.nafsa.org/Connect_and_Network/Engage_with_a_Community/Knowledge_Community_for_International_Student_and_Scholar_Services/)
- ▶ NAFSA Manual
  - ▶ <http://www.nafsa.org/advisermanual/>
- ▶ GAIE F-I Regulatory Ombudsman – Tanya Grubbs
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- ▶ Region VII Regulatory Ombudsman for Student Issues – Sylvia Shortt
  - ▶ [sshortt@westga.edu](mailto:sshortt@westga.edu) 678.839.4780
- ▶ Code of Federal Regulations – 8 CFR §214
  - ▶ [http://www.ice.gov/sevis/schools/existing\\_schools/](http://www.ice.gov/sevis/schools/existing_schools/)

# Q & A: TRAINING

- ▶ NAFSA Region VII or National Pre – Conference Workshops
  - ▶ F-I Student Advising: Intermediate
  - ▶ International Student Advising
- ▶ NAFSA Academy – 2014 Class
  - ▶ - 11 month training program
- ▶ NAFSA Webinars
- ▶ SEVIS DSO training - <http://www.ice.gov/sevis/outreach.htm#>

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