

## REQUEST for REDUCED COURSE LOAD APPROVAL DUE TO COMPLETION OF STUDIES FOR STUDENTS IN F-1 STATUS

The information requested on this form is needed to comply with US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) regulations for students applying for approval to take a reduced course load (less than 12 credits) because he/she requires less than a full-time course load to graduate in the semester indicated below. Permission from the International Student Counselor MUST be obtained BEFORE you drop a course or withdraw. If you drop below full time with out the PRIOR approval of the International Student Counselor, you will be in violation of federal regulations governing F-1 students and be considered out of status.

A student who registers for less than full-time because he/she intends to graduate in that semester, and then does not graduate, may be considered out of status and risk losing F-1 benefits such as work authorization and optional practical training benefits. You should confirm with your academic advisor that you will indeed graduate this semester before requesting a reduced course load.

## STUDENT COMPLETES THIS SECTION:

Email:	Phone:
Field of Study/Major:	Completion date:///
Student Signature:	Today's Date:

which states your intent to graduate.

## ACADEMIC ADVISOR/CHAIR/DEAN COMPLETES THIS SECTION:

Semester & Year for this request: Fall 20\_\_\_\_\_ or Spring 20\_\_\_\_\_

The student named above is applying for a reduced course load (less than 12 credits) due to completion of studies. I verify that the student named above is expected to meet all degree requirements upon successful completion of enrolled courses at the conclusion of the semester indicated above.

Advisor's Signature	Advisor's Name (Printed)		
Department	Extension	Date	
For Office Use:			
ISC Action & Date:	Entered into SEVIS (Date & Initials):		
Notes:			