

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Term	Definition
Reinstatement	Reinstatement is a formal process where a student can seek to regain F-1 status after revocation. F-1 students may lose their status for various reasons, but certain violations are not eligible for reinstatement. Specifically, unauthorized employment is a serious violation that disqualifies students from reinstatement. Other violations, such as failing to extend I-20 in a timely manner or failing to maintain full-time status, may be eligible for reinstatement with specific circumstances.
Visa revocation	A visa is an entry document; therefore, a student with a revoked visa can continue to reside in the United States providing their SEVIS record is still active. A student with an active SEVIS record and a revoked visa, will need to apply for a new visa at a U.S. Embassy/Consulate if they leave the country. Otherwise, they may not return to the U.S.