CHANGE OF LEVEL INFORMATION

After you have successfully changed your education level and completed your previous program of study at OSU or INTO OSU, you will receive a new change of level I-20 which reflects your most current program information.

If you are a sponsored student you must present a valid financial guarantee to our office for your new level. If you have further questions about your financial guarantee please contact our sponsored student staff by emailing: ois.sponsor@oregonstate.edu

To get your new I-20 you will be required to fill out the Financial Support E-Form at https://ipconnect.oregonstate.edu/istart to show that you have enough funding to continue at your new level. Once you do this, you will receive an e-mail confirming when your I-20 is ready to be collected.

Please also remember these important points:

- Attend the International Student Progressor Orientation (you will receive an email regarding the time and place of this orientation)
- Register full-time for your new program

Other Important Considerations

**Travel**

Once your paperwork has been processed by OIS, you should use your new OSU I-20 to re-enter the United States. OIS cannot give a travel signature on an initial I-20 until you have registered for classes at OSU. If your previous I-20 is still valid and has a travel signature then you can use this to enter the US if your new change of level I-20 is still being processed.

**F-1 Visa**

You will not need to apply for a new F-1 visa when requesting a change of level unless your visa has already expired and you plan to travel outside the United States. Your current F-1 visa will remain valid until its expiration date, regardless of the school name listed on it. You may use your new OSU I-20 to renew your F-1 visa. You will not need to pay the SEVIS fee again.

**Information for Pathway Students Progressing to OSU Degree Program**

New change of level I-20s for Pathway students typically won’t be ready to be picked up until the second week of the new term. However, Pathway students will receive an email if their change of level I-20 is made earlier.