## Fall 2021 Plans for Enrollment and F-1 Status

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**Full-time enrollment**: 12 units or more for undergraduate students, and 8 units or more for graduate students.

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Fall 2021 Plans for Enrollment and F-1 Status

Introduction

● These plans are created by the Office of International Programs at SF State and are only for current and new international students at SF State for Fall 2021
● Information is based on the most current special COVID-19 guidance released by Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) on April 26, 2021. August 7, 2020 and is subject to change at any time if new guidance is released.
● For students interested in travel, review the travel information on the oip website
● Please see the following pages for your enrollment and location plan. If you do not see your plan, please email us at f1@sfsu.edu.

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<th>SEVP Scenario A:</th>
<th>On April 26, 2021, SEVP has confirmed the an extension of the current Special COVID-19 guidance If SEVP extends the current COVID-19 guidance released on August 7, 2020 to Fall 2021</th>
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<td>● All students:</td>
<td>○ Undergraduate students must enroll and complete at least 12 units ○ Graduate students must enroll and complete at least 8 units in Fall 2021</td>
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<td>● Continuing Students in Active F-1 status at SF State</td>
<td>○ May maintain status by pursuing 100% online study inside or outside the U.S.</td>
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<td>● New students in Active F-1 status at another school in the U.S.</td>
<td>○ Can maintain F-1 status with 100% online study while staying in the U.S. ○ Cannot maintain F-1 status with 100% online study while outside of the U.S.</td>
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<td>● New or Returning students who are both enrolled online and plan to enter the U.S.</td>
<td>○ Cannot pursue 100% online study. Students in this case must enroll in at least one hybrid/in-person course in order to meet the immigration requirements to enter and maintain the U.S. legally.</td>
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<th>SEVP Scenario B:</th>
<th>If SEVP returns to pre-COVID 19 regulations (meaning no more than the equivalent of one 100% online class or 3 online units may be counted toward the full-time requirement, see Online Courses v.s. Hybrid Courses)</th>
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<td>● All students:</td>
<td>○ Students must be physically in the U.S. to maintain F-1 status ○ Undergraduate students must enroll and complete at least 12 units (including 9 units of hybrid/in-person courses) ○ Graduate students must enroll and complete at least 8 units (including 5 units of hybrid/in-person classes)</td>
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Plan 1

● If you are in valid F-1 status (you have been maintaining F-1 status outside the U.S.):
  ○ Academic status:
    ■ May enroll in full-time course load outside of the U.S. in Fall 2021
  ○ F-1 status (see SEVP scenario chart on Introduction):
    ■ SEVP Scenario A: will be able to maintain F-1 status with fully online courses outside of the U.S.
    ■ SEVP Scenario B: will not be able to maintain F-1 status with fully online courses outside of the U.S.
  ○ Insurance:
    ■ Sign the Fall 2021 International Students Insurance Waiver to clear the international health insurance hold

● If you are not in F-1 status:
  ○ Academic status:
    ■ May enroll in full-time course load outside of the U.S. in Fall 2021
  ○ F-1 status:
    ■ No F-1 status to maintain.
  ○ Insurance:
    ■ Sign the Fall 2021 International Students Insurance Waiver to clear the international health insurance hold
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Plan 2

● If you are in valid F-1 status (you have been maintaining F-1 status outside the U.S.):
  ○ Academic status:
    ■ May enroll in part-time course load outside of the U.S. in Fall 2021
  ○ F-1 status:
    ■ will not be able to maintain F-1 status outside of the U.S. with part-time enrollment.
      Your I-20 will be terminated.
    ■ students who qualify for FTE (1st or 2nd time) or RCL exceptions should email f1@sfsu.edu
  ○ Insurance:
    ■ Sign the Fall 2021 International Students Insurance Waiver to clear the international health insurance hold

● If you are not in F-1 status:
  ○ Academic status:
    ■ May enroll in part-time course load outside of the U.S. in Fall 2021
  ○ F-1 status:
    ■ No F-1 status to maintain.
  ○ Insurance:
    ■ Sign the Fall 2021 International Students Insurance Waiver to clear the international health insurance hold
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Plan 3

● If you are in valid F-1 status (you have been maintaining F-1 status outside the U.S.):
  ○ Academic status:
    ■ May take one semester off with 0 units if F-1 Status Time Off Request Form (TORF) is approved by Fall 2021 add drop deadline
    ■ Graduate students on Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) “grace semester”: email f1@sfsu.edu
  ○ F-1 status:
    ■ will not be able to maintain F-1 status with 0 units. Your I-20 will be terminated
  ○ Insurance:
    ■ No need to clear insurance hold if you do not plan to enroll in Fall 2021

● If you are not in F-1 status:
  ○ Academic status:
    ■ May take one semester off with 0 units. Must enroll in Spring 2022, otherwise, you must re-apply to SF State for Fall 2022.
  ○ F-1 status:
    ■ No F-1 status to maintain
  ○ Insurance:
    ■ No need to clear insurance hold if you do not plan to enroll in Fall 2021
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Plan 4

- If you are in valid F-1 status (you have been maintaining F-1 status outside the U.S.):
  - Academic status:
    - Must enroll in full-time course load while in the U.S. in Fall 2021
  - F-1 status:
    - See SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page
  - Travel to the U.S.:
    - May be eligible to return to the U.S. with active F-1 status. See the “If you are in valid F-1 status” section of the F-1 student travel information page for updated I-20 signature on a current active I-20
  - Insurance:
    - Must purchase SF state international health insurance

- If you are not in F-1 status:
  - Academic status:
    - Must enroll in full-time course load while in the U.S. in Fall 2021
  - F-1 status (see SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page):
    - See SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page
  - Travel to the U.S.:
    - Must request a Fall 2021 initial I-20 from OIP. May be eligible to return to the U.S. with an initial I-20 and a valid F-1 visa. See the “If you are not in F-1 status” section of the F-1 student travel information page for steps to request a new initial I-20
  - Insurance:
    - Must purchase SF state international health insurance

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Plan 5

- If you are in valid F-1 status (you have been maintaining F-1 status outside the U.S.):
  - Academic status:
    - With RCL/FTE approval: may enroll in part-time courses in the U.S.
    - Without RCL/FTE approval: may not enroll in part-time course load in the U.S.
  - F-1 status (see SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page):
    - With RCL/FTE approval: will be able to maintain active F-1 status
    - Without RCL/FTE approval: will not be able to maintain F-1 status. Your I-20 will be terminated.
  - Travel to the U.S.:
    - With RCL/FTE approval: May be eligible to return to the U.S. with active F-1 status. See the “If you are in valid F-1 status” section of the [F-1 student travel information page](#) for updated I-20 signature on a current active I-20
    - Without RCL/FTE approval: will not be eligible to travel to the U.S. during Fall 2021.
  - Insurance:
    - With RCL/FTE approval: Must purchase [SF state international health insurance](#)
    - Without RCL/FTE approval: will not be eligible to travel to the U.S. Sign the [Fall 2021 International Students Insurance Waiver](#) to clear the international health insurance hold while outside of the U.S. See plan 2 to stay outside of the U.S.

- If you are not in F-1 status:
  - Email [fl@sfsu.edu](mailto:fl@sfsu.edu) with your full name and SF State ID to explain your situation
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Plan 6

- You are NOT ALLOWED to enter the U.S. to not study (0 units)
  - Graduate students on Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) “grace semester”: email f1@sfsu.edu
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Plan 7

- You are not in F-1 status
  - Academic status:
    - May enroll in full-time or part-time course load outside of the U.S. in Fall 2021
  - F-1 status:
    - No F-1 status to maintain
  - Insurance:
    - Sign the Fall 2021 International Students Insurance Waiver to clear the international health insurance hold

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Plan 8

- **You are not in F-1 status**
  - **Academic status:**
    - May take one semester off with 0 units. Must enroll in Spring 2022, otherwise, you must re-apply to SF State for Fall 2022.
  - **F-1 status:**
    - No F-1 status to maintain
  - **Insurance:**
    - No need to clear insurance hold if you do not plan to enroll in Fall 2021
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Plan 9

- Must request new Fall 2021 initial I-20 from f1@sfsu.edu
  - Academic status:
    - Must enroll in full-time course load while in the U.S. in Fall 2021
  - F-1 status (see SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page):
    - See SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page
  - Travel to the U.S.:
    - Must request a Fall 2021 initial I-20 from OIP. May be eligible to return to the U.S. with an initial I-20 and a valid F-1 visa. See the “If you are not in F-1 status” section of the F-1 student travel information page for steps to request a new initial I-20
  - Insurance:
    - Must purchase SF state international health insurance
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Plan 10

- You are NOT ALLOWED to enter the U.S. to study part-time
Plan 11

- If you are in valid F-1 status (you have been maintaining F-1 status inside the U.S.):
  - Academic status:
    ■ Must enroll in full-time course load while in the U.S. in Fall 2021
  - F-1 status
    ■ See SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page
  - Insurance:
    ■ Must purchase SF state international health insurance

- If you are not in F-1 status:
  - Academic status:
    ■ Must enroll in full-time course load while in the U.S. in Fall 2021
  - F-1 status
    ■ Must apply for reinstatement or travel re-entry to regain F-1 status. See SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page
  - Insurance:
    ■ Must purchase SF state international health insurance
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Plan 12

- If you are in valid F-1 status (you have been maintaining F-1 status inside the U.S.):
  - **Academic status**:
    - With RCL/FTE approval: may enroll in part-time courses in the U.S.
    - Without RCL/FTE approval: may not enroll in part-time course load in the U.S.
  - **F-1 status (see SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page)**:
    - With RCL/FTE approval: will be able to maintain active F-1 status
    - Without RCL/FTE approval: will not be able to maintain F-1 status. Your I-20 will be terminated.
  - **Insurance**:
    - Must purchase [SF state international health insurance](#)

- If you are not in F-1 status:
  - **Academic status**:
    - May enroll in part-time course load while in the U.S. in Fall 2021 with RCL/FTE approval
  - **F-1 status**
    - Must apply for reinstatement or travel re-entry to [regain F-1 status](#). See SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page
  - **Insurance**:
    - Must purchase [SF state international health insurance](#)
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Plan 13

- Must leave the U.S. You are NOT ALLOWED to stay in the U.S. to not study.
  - Academic status:
    - May take one semester off with 0 units if F-1 Status Time Off Request Form (TORF) is approved by Fall 2021 add drop deadline.
    - Graduate students on Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) grace semester: email f1@sfsu.edu
  - F-1 status:
    - will not be able to maintain F-1 status with 0 units. Your I-20 will be terminated.
  - Insurance:
    - No need to clear insurance hold if you do not plan to enroll in Fall 2021
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Plan 14

● You are NOT ALLOWED to enter or stay the U.S. to not study (0 units)
  ○ Non-enrollment in Fall 2021 will result in a no-show record.
  ○ Must re-apply for Admissions for Spring 2022.
  ○ Must leave the U.S. if currently located in the U.S.
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Plan 15

- New Transfer & Graduate Students (students in Active F-1 status at another school in the U.S.):
  - Can maintain F-1 status with 100% online study while staying in the U.S.
  - Cannot maintain F-1 status with 100% online study while outside of the U.S.

- **If you are in valid F-1 status (you have been maintaining F-1 status inside the U.S.):**
  - **Academic status:**
    - May enroll in full-time course load outside of the U.S. in Fall 2021
  - **F-1 status (see SEVP scenario chart on Introduction Page):**
    - Will not maintain F-1 status outside of the U.S.
  - **Insurance:**
    - Sign the [Fall 2021 International Students Insurance Waiver](#) to clear the international health insurance hold

- **If you are not in F-1 status:**
  - **Academic status:**
    - May enroll in full-time course load outside of the U.S. in Fall 2021
  - **F-1 status:**
    - No F-1 status to maintain.
  - **Insurance:**
    - Sign the [Fall 2021 International Students Insurance Waiver](#) to clear the international health insurance hold