

#### 1033 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE, CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY 07016

#### CHANGE IN PROGRAM I-20 APPLICATION

F-1 students are required to notify International Services and the Department of Homeland Security when there is a substantive change in the information on your Form I-20 academic programs and/or degree levels. Examples of changes that require notification are:

- a change in major field
- a change in degree level
- a change in major field and degree level

#### **Notification Procedure**

If you are interested in changing majors, you must first submit the Change in Program Form through your student account. Once the change is effective, you must notify international services by applying for a new I-20. Under F-1 regulations, a new I-20 must be issued when there is a significant change in your academic information, including a change in your major field and/or degree level. To obtain an I-20 Form, complete the Application for a new I-20. Note that you must submit updated financial documents along with your application.

International Services will issue a new Form I-20 to reflect the updated information in your academic program, along with specific instructions regarding registration and travel. When you begin your new major and/or degree program, International Services will notify the Department of Homeland Security on your behalf, using the electronic SEVIS database system.

### **Important Note on Deadlines**

You are required to notify International Services within **15 days** of any change in your academic program. International Services is required to notify the Department of Homeland Security within 21 days after you have started your new academic program. Because these deadlines are mandated by immigration regulations, failure to make the appropriate notifications in a timely manner may lead to your F-1 status being placed in jeopardy. If you 'fall out' of F-1 status because you did not make the appropriate notifications to our office, you will lose eligibility for F-1 benefits and will need to apply for reinstatement to F-1 status

## Estimated Yearly Costs for Tuition and Expenses for F-1 Students

International students and their families or sponsors assume all responsibility for student expenses. The following estimated costs are based on twelve (12) credits per semester. F-1 students are required to enroll in the fall and spring semester each academic year. The college reserves the right to change tuition or fees at any time by action of the Board of Trustees.

**Tuition Expenses:** \$12,002

Living Expenses: \$18,092 (Please note Union County College has no on-campus

housing.)

**TOTAL Estimated Expenses:** \$30,094

# Additional expenses for dependents: \$3,000 per dependent for each year of study at Union County College

#### Please Note:

- This is an estimated budget. Charges are subject to change without notice.
- This is considered a moderate budget. Individual expenses will vary
- The amount to be verified is \$30,092 for one year of study. However, students are only charged for one semester at a time.

If you have any questions, please email the international student advisor at international@ucc.edu.

#### **Document Checklist**

The following are documents that must be provided in order to obtain the Form I-20. Be sure to submit all documents together. **All documents must be translated to English**:

- I-20 Application Form
- Affidavit of Support (signed and dated by student and sponsor)
- · Evidence of liquid funds available to cover tuition and living expenses
- Photocopy of biographical page in passport
- Copy of current visa and I-94 electronic record number

# **Financial Support Information**

The United States government requires all international applicants provide proof of ability to pay tuition and living expenses before Union County College may issue an I-20. If you are relying on personal or family support, you must provide documentation of financial support, stating your sponsor's name and address and verify the ability to pay your education-related expenses. If your financial support is coming from your home government or other official agency (e.g., AMIDEAST or SACM), you must submit appropriate documentation from your sponsor. **All documents must be in English** 

Acceptable evidence of financial support	Unacceptable financial documents include:
Only Original copies or certified/notarized accepted	
<ul> <li>Bank statements indicating required currency amounts (issued within the last six (6) months</li> </ul>	Chartered accountant statements
Bank loans for educational purposes	Payroll reports / expected income
Scholarship letters	Tax statements
Investment statements indicating liquid	Property assessments
Government funding	Credit card statements
	Bank statements lacking currency
	Other statements of non-liquid assets

Please be aware that you will not be able to pay for the full amount of your education by working while you are in the United States. Government regulations strictly limit employment and require that holders of student visas be full-time students. Therefore, job opportunities are extremely limited.



career and technical programs.

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# Change in Program I-20 Application

## **Biographical Data** Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Program End Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name Last Name First Name Previous Major: \_\_\_\_\_ New Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Address in Home Country: House Number Street City State ZIP Code Country U.S Address: Zip Code House Number Street City State Country Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_\_ City of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_ Male \_\_\_Female Month/Day/Year **Dependent Information**: Please complete the following information if you have any dependents who will be accompanying you to the U.S. on F-2 status: Date of Birth Country of Birth Country of Citizenship First Name Last Name Relationship First Name Last Name Date of Birth Country of Birth Country of Citizenship Relationship First Name Last Name Date of Birth Country of Birth Country of Citizenship Relationship Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: Union County College does not discriminate and prohibits discrimination, as required by state and/or federal law, in all programs and activities, including employment and access to its



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# **International Student Services** Affidavit of Support

Last Name		First (Given) Name	Middle Name
Student ID #:			
Note: If you do no	t have a sponsor and ar		DD/YYYY) on, submit a copy of your bank statement.
		Source of Support: Funds	from Sponsor
Sponsor's Name: _		Relationship to Student:	
Complete Address	:		
Telephone Number:		Email:	
Yearly amount of s	support to applicant (U.S	S. dollars):	
List any other dep	endents you have:		
First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	Relationship
First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	Relationship
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Sponsor's Signatur	·e:	I	Date: