Transfer Procedures for F-1 Students

To be eligible to transfer to another institution at the same academic degree level, or begin a new degree program, a student must have maintained immigration status at the former institution.

When a student attending another institution in the U.S. is admitted to Pacific School of Religion,

- The student should have received a letter of admission from the Admissions Office and a Transfer letter completed by the International Student Advisor at the previous institution indicating that the student has maintained full-time status. This letter should be returned to the Coordinator for International Student Support [CISS] or the Admissions Office by the student or by the International Student Advisor of the previous institution.

- The student should work with the previous institution to set a SEVIS Transfer Release date.

- Students must process a transfer to PSR and obtain a new I-20 within 15 days of beginning classes. Students who fail to complete the transfer within 15 days of the first day of classes are considered to be out of status and must apply for reinstatement. The new I-20 will be issued by the CISS after the student has been transferred to PSR through SEVIS.

- Students who have been "out of status" at their previous institution must apply for a reinstatement to student status through USCIS.

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