

## **REINSTATEMENT TO F-1 STATUS**

According to INS regulations, students fall out of F-1 status for any of the following violations:

- Failure to pursue a full course of study at the school last authorized to attend.
- Failure to enroll at S.C.S.U. in the first term which began after leaving a previous school.
- Failure to submit an I-20 with 15 days of starting a new program to the International Advisor when moving from one program to another at S.C.S.U.
- Failure to apply to INS for an extension of stay prior to the expiration date of the I-20.
- Students who are not in legal F-1 status and are staying in the United States should file a request to their local Immigration and Naturalization Services office for F-1 student reinstatement.

\*If you are traveling overseas, you can re-enter the U.S. legally by presenting a new I-20 from S.C.S.U., valid visa, and your passport.

### **REINSTATEMENT PROCEDURE FOR STUDENTS REMAINING IN THE U.S.**

1. Obtain a new I-20 from the International Student Office at S.C.S.U. Submit a current financial statement and an academic advisors letter giving anticipated completion date.
2. Mail to your local INS Office the following:
  - (a) Four pages of your new I-20 and copies of all previous I-20's.
  - (b) I-539 form.
  - (c) Fee of \$300 for the I-539 form.
  - (d) Original I-94 form for all people included in the application.
  - (e) Financial evidence.
  - (f) Letter (See International advisor)

(g) Copy of passport information page and expiration date.

**All documents are to be sent certified mail or express mail to:**

Vermont Service Center

Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services

75 Lower Welden St.

St. Albans, VT 05479-0001

*Note: Please make a copy of all your paperwork for your records before you mail it.*