

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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International students should know that immigration regulations may prohibit those granted a Leave of Absence from maintaining their visa status.

The University is legally obligated to report a leave of absence for any reason by a student with an F-1 to the Department of Homeland Security. Students with a F-1 visa who take a leave of absence may not remain in the United States during the leave unless the reason for leave is an illness and/or ongoing treatments that prevent the student from returning to his or her home country and appropriate documentation from a treating physician in the United States has been sent directly to International Students and Scholars (ISS) Office. (<https://www.pace.edu/iss/>)

Students with an F-1 visa contemplating a leave of absence must first consult with an advisor in the ISS (<https://www.pace.edu/iss/>) Office and again when they apply to resume their studies after a leave of absence.