

RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN EWC/DOS J-1 STUDENT

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the U.S. Department of State (DOS) require international students to maintain their legal status in the United States. Students must be aware of and comply fully with the following visa regulations:

- Maintain a **valid passport** with at least six-month validity at all times.
- Register for and complete a **full-time course enrollment** during Fall & Spring Semesters (8 credits for graduate students; 12 credits for undergraduate students). On rare occasion, you may be eligible to enroll less than full-time during a semester. In such a case, you must receive authorization from your EWC Scholarship Coordinator in advance by completing the EWC Visa Form, *REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO DROP BELOW FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT* and return it prior to registering for your semester classes OR prior to dropping below a full-time course load during the semester.
- You are **NOT allowed to work in the United States EXCEPT with date-specific, job-specific authorization**. Complete EWC Visa Form, *REQUEST FOR ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT* submitting it via your EWC Scholarship Coordinator. *Please note that this differs from blanket F-1 student employment, i.e. any extensions will also require a separate authorization.*
- Any **changes in program dates or academic program** will be handled by your Scholarship Coordinator via Award Change Notifications. [Note: Should you be unable to complete your UHM degree by the end of your EWC Fellowship, you may consult with advisors at UHM-ISS in advance regarding visa sponsorship from UH Manoa. Please note that UHM-ISS will decide the type of visa suitable for you. You must be able to demonstrate satisfactory progress toward your degree and have the required financial support and insurance coverage for the requested period.]
- You must **report any changes of residence** (even in same dorm), **e-mail address, name**, etc. to your Scholarship Coordinator and EWC Visa Officer within 10 days of the change as required by U.S. DHS regulations.
- Notify EWC Scholarship Coordinator (1st) and EWC Visa Officer (2nd) **PRIOR to travelling outside U.S.** so that current **DS-2109 can be travel validated for re-entry**. [Required even if current entry visa is still valid.]

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

HM: _____ HK: _____ Residential Address Off-Campus: _____

E-Mail: _____ Tel: No: _____

SEVIS Entry Date by RO/ARO: _____