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Proposed Rule Eliminating Duration of Status (D/S) for F and J Visa Holders

The International Affairs (IA) Office at UCCS understands that international students and scholars may have questions and concerns regarding the recently released proposed regulation that would eliminate the duration of status end date currently assigned to those entering the United States on an F or J visa. (You can find a summary of the proposed regulation on [NAFSA's website](#).)

Our campus is carefully reviewing the proposed regulation and expects to submit a formal comment that explains our concerns with the proposal during the 30-day comment period. IA will collaborate with campus and system leadership, the CU Office of Government Relations, the Graduate School, the Office of Undergraduate Education, the Research & Innovation Office, and other campus partners to support this effort.

Individuals may also [submit comments about any proposed regulation](#). Included in the proposed regulation release are the following instructions to submit comments before the end of the comment period on Sept. 29, 2025:

Instructions: To submit your comments online, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and insert "ICEB-2025-0001" in the "Search" box. Click on the rule that appears in the "Search Results." Click on the "Comment" box under the name of the rule and input your comments in the text box provided. When you are satisfied with your comments, follow the prompts, and then click "Submit Comment."

After the comment period, there are additional steps that occur before a proposed regulation becomes a final regulation. [This government website](#) explains the process. The final regulation may have different content than the proposed one. Therefore, IA is unable to speculate about what the final regulation will include when it is released, when this may occur, and what impact any final regulatory changes may have on an individual's situation. IA will share updates when more information becomes available. IA understands that this proposed regulation may cause anxiety and stress. We encourage you to access the free campus resources listed below to help you navigate this uncertainty and any associated feelings.

International Affairs (IA)

We want you to feel welcomed, supported, and safe throughout your time at UCCS and while you are in the United States. If you have questions or just need someone to talk to, IA is here to help. You can access both walk-in and remote advising services. Feel free to contact us via email at international@uccs.edu or call us at 719-255-5018 during our regular office hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Campus Resources

IA wants you to know you can always talk to us or use the other resources on campus. Here are some resources we recommend:

- Students: Use our friendly [campus counseling services](#) to talk through feelings of anxiety, loneliness, stress, or just to have someone supportive to talk to.
- Faculty and Staff: UCCS is committed to supporting the holistic health and well-being of our employees. Reach out to the [Staff Support Resources](#) page to access confidential services, counseling, resilience tools, and wellness programs designed to help you navigate challenges, strengthen coping strategies, and foster a supportive work environment.

Thank you for choosing to be part of UCCS, we are glad you are here.