



WEEKLY UPDATE – Oct. 26

Maintaining your Status

The last day to drop courses or withdraw from a course is this **Friday, Oct. 30**. As a reminder, F-1 students must be enrolled full-time unless approved by ISSS for a reduced course load.



- Full-time status for undergraduate students is 12 or more units.
- Full-time status for graduate students is 6 or more units.

If you have questions about dropping or withdrawing from a course and are unsure of how it would affect your status, please **email** International Student and Scholar Services. **See the full academic calendar »**

Spring 2021 Housing for International Students



Off-Campus Living

If you are interested in renting an apartment in the Bay Area, the **Office for Off-Campus Living (OCL)** offers resources to assist you in your search and planning. You can review rental listings on the **USF rental site** or search these **additional rental websites**. If you are looking for a roommate, you can post on the message board of the **OCL website**. Their office has also prepared some **helpful tips for living off-campus during COVID-19**. See additional articles and resources below. For any additional questions, you can **email OCL** or schedule a Zoom appointment with a member of their team. Keep in mind that the rental market in San Francisco has become more favorable and more affordable for student rentals in the past few months so this might be a good option for you for the spring semester.

- **Do's And Don'ts of Roomie Living during COVID**
- **Roommate Conflict Tips in the time of COVID**
- **Roommate Talk during COVID**
- **Negotiating New Roommate Rules during COVID**

Essential Housing

All students currently on campus for Fall 2020 **essential housing** will be assigned and approved for Spring 2021 essential housing. The spring housing application will go live the last week of October for incoming new and continuing students. All students are eligible to apply for spring essential housing and only those that meet the below criteria are eligible to live on campus. Students will be notified of approval for spring essential housing on a rolling basis and will receive specific details regarding their assignment by the first week of December.

- A student who faces housing insecurity (homelessness or a precarious living situation).
- A student who faces financial insecurity.
- A student with existing health conditions that would be impacted by travel.
- A student whose home is in an area with extremely limited internet connectivity.
- An international student who has immigration, travel, and/or visa restrictions.
- A student who is in an approved, on-the-ground, program.
- A student with any other extenuating circumstance that warrants a review.

ISSS OFFICE RESOURCES

Requesting a document from ISSS?

If you are requesting an immigration document or letter from our office, remember that we request **ten business days** to process requests. Make sure you plan accordingly so you have enough time to receive your document before you need it. **You can also make some document requests through online submission.**

Adviser Appointments and Workshops

Appointments can be made online. Please visit the **ISSS website** to schedule an appointment. Appointments are still booked in 30-minute increments.

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