A request for a program extension must be authorized by the academic advisor and ISSP before a student’s program and I-20 can be extended. Immigration regulations allow program extensions for students maintaining status and making normal progress toward completing educational objectives. The student is responsible for obtaining a program extension prior to I-20 expiring. If a program extension is not authorized prior to I-20 expiring, than the student will be out of status and must file for reinstatement.

To be completed by program advisor:

1. Student’s academic program (major):

2. Requested extension of: 1 semester 1 year

3. Expected program completion/graduation date:

4. Reason(s) for delay in program completion (please check all that apply):
   - Change of major
   - Unavailability of courses
   - Change in research topic
   - Unexpected research problems
   - The original allotted time for study (on I-20 or DS-2019 document) is not sufficient
   - Medical reasons (medical documentation from a medical practitioner must be attached)
   - Other reason(s), please specify below:

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I hereby recommend additional time for student to complete his/her program.

Advisor Name: ___________________________________________ Advisor Signature: ____________________________

Date: __________________ E-mail: ________________________ Phone #: ____________________

For questions or concerns regarding program extension procedures, please contact California State University, Fresno’s International Student Services: intlstudentservices@csufresno.edu

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Petition Approved: Petition Denied: Date: ___________________ Staff Initials: ________________