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REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO THE FULL COURSE OF STUDY REQUIREMENT

If you have any questions, please email international@montana.edu.

Name : _____ Semester: _____ GID #: _____

Department: _____ Academic Advisor: _____ Credits to be completed: _____

An international student in F-1/J-1 status is considered to be pursuing a full course of study even though enrolled for less than the “full-time” credit load (**12 credits for undergraduates and 9 for graduates**) under specified circumstances certified by a school official, designated by the USCIS and International Student & Scholar Advisor.

EXCEPTIONS (UNDERGRADUATE or GRADUATE) (1 of the 4 *one time only*)

- **Initial** difficulty with **English** language: _____
 - **Initial** difficulty with **Reading** requirements: _____
 - Unfamiliarity with **U.S. Teaching Methods**: _____
 - **Improper course level placement**: _____
- Comments:** _____
- Student **COMPLETING PROGRAM** DURING CURRENT TERM**: _____
****Advisor letter required to confirm completion within semester. (Can drop to 3 credits, but if completion is not assured, student should take the required minimum.)**
 - Medical condition (Consult with OIP. Letter from doctor required.) _____ (as few as 0 credits)
 - Graduate Teaching Assistant (TA) : _____ (can enroll in 6 credits)
 - Graduate Research Assistant (RA): _____ (can enroll in 6 credits)
 - Graduate student needs brief extension (1 month) to finalize dissertation _____
 (can enroll in 1 credit)

Academic Advisor (Print name)	_____ (Sign)	_____ (Date)
Graduate School (Graduate Students only) (Print name)	_____ (Sign)	_____ (Date)
OIP - (Foreign Student Advisor) (Print Name)	_____ (Sign)	_____ (Date)