



REDUCED COURSE LOAD (RCL) REQUEST FORM

Filing Fee Status

Graduate Students in F-1 visa status are required to maintain a full course of study during Fall and Spring semesters. Students may seek authorization to be enrolled in 0 (zero) units their final semester if they have been approved for filing fee status. You can request filing fee status during your final semester. You may only use filing fee status if you have not previously participated in part-time status. By applying for filing fee status, you are expected to complete your degree at the end of the semester. Extensions of programs after filing fee status are not permitted. It is highly recommended that students maintain health insurance through the duration of filing fee status. Academic advisor must recommend the reduced course load.

SECTION A: STUDENT INFORMATION

First Name:	<input type="text"/>	Last Name:	<input type="text"/>
Student ID Number:	<input type="text"/>	Degree Level:	<input type="text"/>
Major / Department:	<input type="text"/>	Semester of Requested RCL:	<input type="text"/>

SECTION B: PROGRAM COMPLETION

Final Semester (Term & Year):	<input type="text"/>
Current I-20 Program End Date:	<input type="text"/>

If your current I-20 program end date is **after** your final semester end date, OIA will **shorten your program end date** on your I-20 to match your program completion date. You will receive a new I-20 reflecting this change.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE

I understand that after completing my degree, I will enter my 60-day grace period. During my grace period, I must do one of the following: depart the US, request a transfer to another school or apply for Optional Practical Training (OPT).

Student's Signature:	<input type="text"/>	Date:	<input type="text"/>
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ACADEMIC ADVISOR'S SIGNATURE

I verify that the above-mentioned student has been approved for filing fee status.

Comments (optional):	<input type="text"/>
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Academic Advisor's Name (please print):	<input type="text"/>		
Department:	<input type="text"/>	Email:	<input type="text"/> @ucmerced.edu
Advisor's Signature:	<input type="text"/>	Date:	<input type="text"/>