All F-1 international students at UC San Diego are responsible for keeping their Form I-20 up to date. If you are a new student, continuing student, or an alumnus on OPT, use our sample to understand all of the information on your Form I-20.

Biographical Information
Ensure that all personal information listed here is correct. New Students: Your ‘Form Issue Reason’ will be ‘Initial Attendance’ or ‘Transfer Pending’ until you complete Check-In on arrival.

Program Information
Ensure that your program level, major(s), and program start date are correct. Your program end date should be in the future unless you have graduated.

DSO & Student Signatures
Your I-20 will be signed by a Designated School Official under the ‘School Attestation’ section. Print and sign the form yourself under ‘Student Attestation’.

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Employment
If you are employed under CPT (current students) or OPT (alumni), then your employment authorization will be shown here. Update your I-20 if any changes are made.

Travel Signature
You will need a valid travel signature every time you enter the U.S. If your travel signature has expired, please request a new one.

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The last page of your I-20 is an annotation section that includes the terms and conditions you are agreeing to when you sign your I-20. This page contains important information about maintaining your F-1 visa status.

KEY POINTS

- **Never Throw Away Documents**: Keep all copies of your I-20 from UC San Diego and any other institution you attend in a safe and accessible place.
- **Update your Documents**: Your I-20 needs to be updated any time there is a change to the information on the form.
- **Make your Documents Accessible**: Keep digital copies of your I-20 and other documents on your phone.
- **Document Self-Check**: Ensure that your forms are in order every time you enter the U.S.

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