

**International Student and Scholar Services ♦ Florida International University**

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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**  
**PENDING ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS [I-485]**  
**\*\*\* RELINQUISH F-1 STATUS \*\*\***

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Last Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**First Name**

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**Panther ID**

I have a pending Petition for Adjustment of Status (Form I-485) to Lawful Permanent Residence based on

Marriage to a U.S. citizen

U.S. citizen parent petition

Employment-based residency application

OR

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Before signing and submitting this request, you must seek advice from an immigration attorney to understand the implications of this action.**

I am choosing to relinquish my F-1 (student) status in favor of my pending residency application under which I am eligible to use or am already using certain benefits as allowed by federal law.

I am aware that by surrendering my F-1 status I will lose all benefits under F-1 status such as on-campus employment, eligibility for any Practical Training (CPT or OPT) and, if applicable, any tuition waiver provided under a Graduate Assistantship (GA) contract.

Furthermore, if my application for adjustment is denied, it may result in having no legal non-immigrant status in the U.S. and may require me to depart the U.S. I may also begin accruing unlawful presence. Accrual of unlawful presence is what leads to the three or ten year bar of inadmissibility into the U.S. under section 212(a)(9) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

I attest that I have consulted with an attorney and that I accept all responsibility inherent in the conditions and details as stated above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
STUDENT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Panther ID

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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