



STUDENT LIFE POLICY

NUMBER/TITLE: SL-700, HEALTH INSURANCE FOR STUDENTS

Covered Individuals: All Students

Covered Locations: All Locations

Effective Date: February 28, 2018

Strategic Priority: SP 1

HLC: Criterion 1.C, 2.B

Consultations: AVPSL, VPASA, Director of RLSE, Coordinator for International Student Services

POLICY STATEMENT

Requires international students entering the University to purchase UIU student health insurance.

PURPOSE

Establishes the health insurance requirements for students across all modalities.

DEFINITIONS

International Student: An international student is any student attending Upper Iowa University on an F-1 visa issued a Form I-20 endorsed by the institution or a J-1 visa issued a DS-2019 by the institution. This includes F-1 students enrolled on a full-time, authorized Reduced Course Load, or on Optional Practical Training.

Reduced Course Load: A temporary, authorized drop below a full course of study for an international student in accordance with Title 8 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 214.2(f)(6)(iii)-(iv).

Optional Practical Training (OPT): Temporary employment directly related to an F-1 student's major area of study and authorized by the institution. Eligible students can apply to receive up to 12 months of OPT employment authorization before completing their academic studies (pre-completion) and/or after completing their academic studies (post-completion).

Curricular Practical Training (CPT): is a program that temporarily allows international students with an F-1 visa to gain practical experience directly related to their major through employment, paid or unpaid internships which must be completed before graduation.

POLICY IMPLEMENTATION

Full-time domestic undergraduate and graduate students on the Fayette campus are not required to enroll in the Upper Iowa University Student Insurance Plan. International students, undergraduate and graduate, are required to enroll in the Upper Iowa University Student Health Insurance Plan and are not permitted to waive out. International students must maintain their UIU Health Insurance during reduced course load, OPT and CPT.

Students are made aware of the policy during their admissions (international students), pre-billing period, orientation, personal letters and via emails. All qualified students (per the policy above) will be automatically enrolled in the insurance plan.

CUSTODIAN

International Student Services Coordinator

RELATED DOCUMENTS, FORMS, AND POLICIES

None.

HISTORY

New/Revision Number	Date of Action/Approval	Revision Change
SL-700	April 17, 2023	Definitions, HLC criteria, purpose, and policy statement added. Policy implementation was simplified in its directive and given the changes of our UIU locations. Coordinator for International Student Services added to list of consultations.
SL-700	February 14, 2023	Policy put into new template.
700	February 28, 2018	Policy approved by President's Council.
700	January 16, 2018	Annual review of policy by University Policy Committee.
700	November 10, 2016	Annual review of policy approved by President's Council.
700	June 16, 2014	Policy approved by Board of Trustees
700	May 20, 2014	Policy approved by President's Council.
700	April 28, 2014	Policy created.