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### **Maintaining Valid Documents**

A J-1 student at Rutgers University must maintain lawful J-1 status, as failure to do so can have serious long-term consequences. Here are some simple steps to assist students to ensure his/her stay in the U.S. remains valid:

- Be aware of the expiration date of status. This is not the visa expiration date; it is the ending date in section 3 of the DS-2019 form. Please consult with OISS if you believe you cannot complete your program before the end date on the DS-2019.
- DO NOT accept any employment either on or off-campus without prior authorization from OISS
- If you wish to transfer to another school or another Rutgers campus, consult with OISS to make sure that the required transfer procedure can be accomplished within the required time.
- Comply with United States health insurance requirements for J-1 visa holders and their families. Willful disregard of these requirements will result in termination of the scholar's participation in the program and the J-1 status.
- Keep passport valid at all times.
- Report any change in address to OISS within 10 days of the change.