

# International Student Insurance Policy

## University Operations – Financial Activity

### CWU Policy 202-15

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**Policy Executive:** Provost and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs

**Responsible Office/Unit:** Office of International Studies and Programs

#### **Policy Statement:**

#### **Applicability:**

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#### **Content:**

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#### **(1) International Student Insurance Policy**

- A. International students on F1 and J visas, and dependents on F2 or J2 visas, will be required to provide proof of medical insurance during their studies at CWU. Any international student providing proof, in English, of comparable insurance coverage may hard waiver out of the mandated insurance policy. .
- B. If F1 students on Optional Practical Training (OPT) or Curricular Practical Training (CPT) would like insurance coverage, they need to make the request in advance of the first day of each academic quarter.

#### **(2) Failure to fulfill the insurance requirement**

- A. Any international student who is not enrolled in insurance or has not been approved for a waiver, will have class registration blocked. Failure to maintain a full-time course load as defined by immigration regulations will lead to termination of the immigration documents Form I-20 or DS-2019 necessary to maintain legal status as an F1/F2 or J1/J2 visa holder in the United States.

#### **(3) Insurance Fee Waiver**

- A. The insurance fee will be waived only when a student presents comparable health insurance coverage along with a copy of their insurance card with the full policy in English. Students must have their documents submitted and accepted by the add drop deadline of the quarter. Waiver renewals will be based on the expiration date of the policy submitted but may be required as frequently as each quarter. Students who do not present the proof of comparable coverage by the deadline will not receive insurance fee waiver and will be responsible for paying the full insurance fee amount.

**History:**

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