Immigration Status: Federal regulations require all international students to maintain an appropriate and lawful immigration status while in the United States.

Role of the Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS): The role of the OISS in relation to U.S. immigration regulations is to provide you with information, counseling, advice, and assistance so that YOU can maintain your lawful immigration status while in the U.S.

Limitations of the OISS: While the staff of the OISS attempt to provide the most professional and competent assistance possible, they are not employees of the U.S. federal government, nor are they attorneys specializing in U.S. immigration law. You have the right to consult an official of the immigration service and/or an attorney specializing in immigration law at any time. The OISS will be pleased to provide you with information which will make such contacts possible.

Responsibility for Compliance with Federal Laws and Regulations and for Maintenance of your Lawful Immigration Status: You and only you are responsible for (a) fully and properly complying with all laws and regulations of the U.S. government, including those of the U.S. immigration service; (b) maintaining your lawful status; and (c) ensuring that any necessary documents are forwarded to the immigration service in a timely manner. The Board of Trustees of the University System of New Hampshire, its faculty and staff, and its agents or employees will not be liable to you for any difficulties you may experience as a result of any failure to maintain proper lawful immigration status in the U.S.

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By my signature below, I verify that I have read this document. I verify that my immigration rights and responsibilities have been explained to me by a member of the OISS staff. I verify that it is my responsibility to maintain my lawful immigration status. I hereby release and hold harmless the Board of Trustees of the University System of New Hampshire and its faculty, staff, agents, and employees from any claim which may result from my failure to maintain proper lawful immigration status.

Name:  

Signature:  

Date:  

Return completed form to OISS (We recommend that you keep a copy for your records.)