

The F-1 Visa stamp in your passport is an _____ document. It is permission to apply to _____ the United States in that Visa category. Canadian citizens are not required to have a Visa stamp in their passport to enter the U.S.

The Visa expiration date is separate

The automatic visa revalidation benefit applies to students who changed status within the U.S. and have an F-1 approval notice from USCIS. The previous visa type is considered to be “converted” to the F-1 for that entry only.

Visas can only be obtained outside of the U.S. at a U.S. EMBASSY OR CONSULATE.

It is advisable to apply for the visa at a U.S. consulate in your home country, unless circumstances or travel plans make this impossible. It may be possible to apply for a visa at a U.S. consulate in a country other than your home country. This is called a “third country national (TCN)” application. Not all U.S. consulates accept TCN applications, and some allow TCN applications for limited situations; check ~~TCN~~ individual consulates, including those in Canada and Mexico, for TCN application policies.

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