

## 03.04 Annual Vacation

If you are an F-1 student, you are required to enroll in the Language and Culture Center (LCC) every term, including the Summer term, to remain in the United States. For example, if Spring is your first term in the LCC, you must enroll in the LCC during the Summer term starting in May. If you will not stay in the United States, you do not have to study. But before you return to the LCC, you might have to obtain a new Form I-20 and pay a SEVIS I-901 fee.

### May I take a term off and stay in the United States?

It depends. You may take a term off and stay in the United States if you request an annual vacation and the request is approved by the LCC Counseling Team. Please be advised of the following:

- You may take a vacation only in Summer.
- You must have successfully completed Fall and Spring terms in the LCC before the vacation.
- You must enroll in the LCC in Fall after the vacation.
- If you have successfully completed Level 6, you will not be eligible for a vacation.

### May I take an annual vacation during Fall or Spring and stay in the United States?

No. You may take a vacation only in Summer. If you do not enroll in the LCC during Fall or Spring, you must remain outside the United States.

### How do I request an annual vacation?

Request a vacation in your LCC student account at [lcc.uh.edu](http://lcc.uh.edu) before the next LCC Student Check-In day ([uh.edu/class/english/lcc/admissions/course-dates](http://uh.edu/class/english/lcc/admissions/course-dates)). By the Check-In day, the Counseling Team will inform you by email if your request is approved. Your request will not be approved in any of the following circumstances:

- You requested to take a vacation in Fall or Spring.
- You missed any of the progression tests at the end of a term.
- You are transferring to a new school.
- You successfully completed Level 6.

### Do I have to request a vacation if I do not want to stay in the United States?

No. Before you return to the LCC, you might have to obtain a new Form I-20 and pay a SEVIS I-901 fee. Refer to the LCC Student Handbook, 03.03, Travel.

### During the vacation, will I have access to on-campus services, such as the gym and the library?

No.

### During the vacation, may I transfer to a new school?

It depends. Refer to the LCC Student Handbook, 03.05, Transfer Out.

### During the vacation, will I be covered by AcademicBlue, the Student Health Insurance Plan?


No. If you are an F-1 student, contact the Counseling Team to enroll in AcademicBlue. The deadline to do it is the next LCC Student Check-In day ([uh.edu/class/english/lcc/admissions/course-dates](http://uh.edu/class/english/lcc/admissions/course-dates)).

### After the vacation, in which level will I study?


You will be required to attend the LCC Student Check-In and take all placement tests. The placement test result will determine your level.

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