

F-1 Duration of Status Timeline

- **5 Months** – A student must resume studies within five months of transferring out of USM or within five months of completion of OPT.
- **15 Days** – A student that receives authorization to withdraw from classes from ISA are given a 15 day grace period to prepare for departure. **PLEASE NOTE:** There is no grace period for those students that have never registered at USM or those that choose to withdraw from classes without ISA's authorization.
- **60 Days** – After the completion of studies (the graduation date) or after the completion of OPT (date listed on work card), a student has 60 days to prepare for departure. Students in this category may apply to other schools but the 5-month rule will apply. You should begin counting the 5 months from the graduation or OPT date.