International Student Enrollment Requirements

Students attending the University of Wyoming on an F or J student visa have specific enrollment requirements regulated by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. It is the responsibility of the student to make sure that they follow these rules to maintain their immigration status at all times. However, faculty and staff are invited to be familiar with the requirements of these unique students in order to best support them in their educational pursuits here at UW!

As you advise UW’s international students, please keep these regulations in mind:

- **Enrollment Requirements for International Students**
  
  - Must enroll full-time each fall and spring semester
    - Graduate student: 9.0 credit hours
    - Undergraduate student: 12.0 credit hours
  
  - Students may not “audit” classes as part of their full-time credit hours
  
  - May count up to 3.0 credit hours of online/distance education as part of their full-time enrollment. Students may never be “online only”
  
  - May take courses at another school as part of their full-time enrollment. At least 50% of total credits must be at UW. Permission from advisor and ISS is required in advance
  
  - May take courses at another school in addition to full-time enrollment. ALL courses taken at another institution must be approved by advisor and ISS in advance
  
  - Must maintain full-time enrollment for the duration of the semester. Student may not drop or withdraw from a class that will result in them actually attending less than full-time credits at any time during the fall or spring semester
  
  - May enroll less than full-time in their last semester at UW only
    - *Graduate students may enroll less than full-time for more than one semester if required course work has been completed, including required research hours
  
  - If a student will graduate in August, they may not enroll online-only in the summer term. Undergraduate students who will graduate in August should talk to ISS staff at the beginning of the spring term to make sure they will maintain their status correctly