

Decoding Acronyms and Lingo

ELC – English Language Center

ISS- International Student Services

DSO- Designated School Official

RO/ARO (J-1) - Responsible Officer/Alternate Responsible Officer

PDSO/DSO (F-1) - Principal Designated School Official/Designated School Official

SEVIS- Student and Exchange Visitor Information System

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Status

Visa

J-1

F-1

H-1B

FTE- Full-time Equivalency

RCL-Reduce Course Load

Program Extension

CPT- Curricular Practical Training

OPT- Optional Practical Training

J-1 Academic Training

STEM Extension