

Dear Sir or Madame,

I'm writing to request an extension of my B1/B2 visa status. I graduated from University of Bridgeport on December 19th 2020, I planned to fly back to China in January 2021 because my student visa status expires on February 19, 2021. However, coronavirus unexpectedly broke out in China again in January, forcing the Chinese government to quarantine almost all the major cities, locking down millions of people. My hometown city Huaibei was announced in partial lockdown. The flight ticket I bought got canceled as well.

As a result, I had to apply for a change of status from F1 to B1/B2 Visa to stay here for a few more months until the flight ticket became available again. (Receipt Number: MCT2132770232)

Currently, I am still waiting for the first I-539 results. It should be noted that I submitted my I-539 with a mistake, it should be applying the change status to B1/B2 instead of F1 extension. I have already contacted the immigration customer support to make this correction on my application,(Confirmation Number:T1S2032107665YSC)

My immune system has been weak since birth, and I had gynecological infections again in March this year. I have been advised by my doctors in China that, for my own safety, I should avoid traveling back to China at this moment.

I have started browsing the flight websites for available tickets since I recovered from gynecological infections. It became extremely difficult to get a flight ticket since the delta virus spread in China. The Chinese border entry requirements are very restricted, it requests to have both negative Covid-19 Nucleic Acid PCR Test and an Antibody IgM Test from departure city. Basically, this requirement refused all transfer flight options, only direct flights can be taken. The Antibody IgM Test cannot be completed in a few hours between transit waiting time.

I couldn't find any direct flights before the end of the year, the flight ticket I bought which is also the nearest available direct flight on December 29th 2021. I am submitting this B1/B2 extension application to keep my legal status in the US until I leave.

If my extension is approved, I will stay at home preparing for the IELTS test. I am going to study at UCL in the UK in September 2022. I also have enough money to support living until I leave, and my parents will wire me more money at any time if needed.

Thanks so much for your time and consideration.

Attached the documents below for reference.

1. A photocopy of my passport (information page).
2. A photocopy of my visa (information page).
3. A copy of my I-94 record.
4. A copy of my I-20.
5. Bank statement
6. Flight Ticket