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### **Additional Documentation Required for Change of Visa Status by Visa Type**

#### **B-2 to F-1 or F-2; for example:**

- **You have come to the United States to marry your fiancée, who is an F-1 student at UMass Dartmouth; after the marriage you would be eligible for a change of status to F-2;**
- **Your B-2 visa is annotated “prospective student” or “prospective exchange visitor” signaling your intent before you enter the U.S. that your visit may result in acceptance in a study program; and that you will be changing to F-1 status after you have entered the U.S.**

#### For change to F-1:

- You must be accepted to UMass Dartmouth before you can file the change of status application.
- You may not begin degree program or coursework until the application is approved.

#### For change to F-2:

- Copies of primary F-1 spouse’s immigration documents: passport, visa, I-94 record
- Marriage certificate proving the relationship to the F-1

#### **Note:**

- You should not apply for a change of status until you have been in the U.S. for at least 60 days.
- Entry on a visitor’s (B) visa when intending to study (and without the “prospective student” notation) may be considered fraudulent entry.