

### **RETURNING TO MONTGOMERY COLLEGE AFTER COMPLETION OF AN ASSOCIATE (OR HIGHER) DEGREE**

If you wish to return to us after completing an Associate or higher degree, we will need some specific information. USCIS may question your need for more than one Associate degree so we must be careful to document what you will need.

- 1) Complete a new Supplemental Information sheet to update addresses, new major, any new dependents, and whether you have attended another institution while you were away from MC.
- 2) Make an appointment with an academic counselor (<https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/counseling-and-advising/make-an-advising-appointment.html#returning-students>) to be sure you are selecting the correct major for your goals and to get a letter or email defining how long you will need to complete the new degree. Please NOTE: You MUST declare the intent to return for a new degree. There is no category on an I-20 for “just taking classes to transfer” or to complete a Certificate or Letter of Recognition program.
- 3) Change your major at the Office of Records and Registration Office (<https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/admissions-registration/student-resources/change-your-major.html>)
- 4) Write a letter to the International Office explaining why you wish to return for another degree at the Associate level. Include a copy of the letter or email your academic counselor created to show how long you will need to complete your degree.
- 5) Present new financial support documents to cover the time of your degree (<https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/international-and-esl-students/international/getting-started/evidence-of-financial-support.html>). If you plan to transfer out before the new degree would be finished, you must submit support documents for at least one year. If your new degree would take less than one year to complete, you may submit support documentation for that shorter period.

We are always happy to help our students and see them back at the College, but our focus is to help you toward your academic goals!!