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# Changing from H-1 to F-1 and back to H-1

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Submitted by Chief Editor on Apr 17th 2017

1. My H-1B is going to end in 2019. Is it legal to change my H-1B to F-1 after that?
2. In case I get admission to a college, and finish my studies within 12-16 months, can I again start with a new H-1B and how many years will I get on that?

### **ANSWER:**

*Watch the Video on this FAQ: Changing from H-1 to F-1 and back to H-1* <sup>[2]</sup>

### **Video Transcript**

1. Yes.
2. In order for you to reset the H-1 clock converting to F-1 and staying within the United States is not good enough. You have to be physically outside the United States for one year otherwise the clock does not get reset. [More...](#) <sup>[2]</sup>

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[General Nonimmigrant Visa](#) <sup>[4]</sup>

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