Medical Withdrawal Policy

If you become seriously ill or are seriously injured during an academic term, and you are unable to complete a class, you may qualify for a Medical Withdrawal. The Student Health Center will issue a recommendation for withdrawal from a course only if the student has a “serious and compelling reason.” Generally, this means:

- A student’s condition must be severe enough to warrant hospitalization for treatment (not just evaluation) and/or extensive outpatient medical consultation.
- The condition should be of sufficient severity to result in the inability to attend class or complete course work for two or more weeks during the semester.
- The student’s medical record should contain the specific diagnosis and treatment plan including follow up visits.
- During the final two weeks of the semester, medical withdrawals will be provided only for extenuating circumstances and the treating provider at the Student Health Service may require the student to return for additional visits to verify the severity of the condition.
- A retroactive medical withdrawal may be issued after the semester has ended provided the above criteria are met and the student returns for follow-up with adherence to the treatment plan as indicated in the medical record.

See complete policy details at:
www.csuchico.edu/shs/about/policies-and-procedures.shtml

Be sure to discuss your individual situation with an International Student Advisor in SSC 440. This is important so the International Student Advisor can make a note in your SEVIS record so you do not become “out of status”.