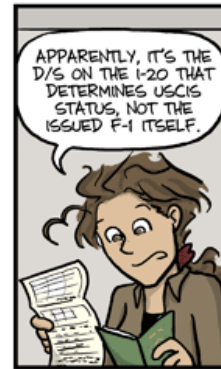




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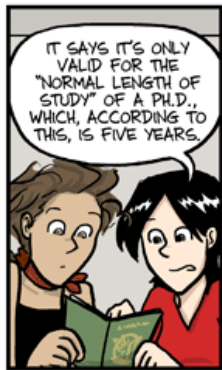
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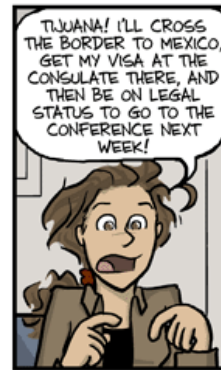
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1 DREAM OF STUDYING IN AMERICA, LAND OF OPPORTUNITY!



2 FIND OUT HOW MUCH OPPORTUNITY COSTS



3 FUTILELY WRITE TO PROFESSORS TO PROFESSORS



4 TAKE STANDARDIZED ENGLISH TEST (years of listening to American Pop culture finally pay off!)



5 TRUST YOUR FUTURE IN HANDS OF QUESTIONABLE LOCAL MAIL SYSTEM



6 GET ACCEPTED!



7 WAKE UP AT 4am, FORM LINE AT U.S. CONSULATE



8 GET IN, WAIT IN ANOTHER LINE



9 GET INTERVIEWED



10 WAIT SOME MORE



11 VISA GRANTED!



12 SAY GOODBYE TO RELATIVES (THE ONES YOU LIKE)



13 GET EYE SCANNED, FINGERPRINTED, SUBTLY INTERROGATED



14 FIND OUT UNIVERSITY IS ACTUALLY IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE.



15 GET USED TO CULTURE, PAY TAXES, ESTABLISH FRIENDSHIPS



16 FACE FACT YOU ARE NOW OVER-QUALIFIED FOR MOST JOBS IN YOUR HOME COUNTRY



17 GRAPPLE WITH IDENTITY ISSUES.



18 REALIZE THE PLACE YOU NOW CALL HOME DOESN'T FEEL THE SAME WAY ABOUT YOU

