

RECOMMENDATION FOR POST-COMPLETION OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING (OPT)

Optional Practical Training (OPT) is temporary employment available to F-1 students who have been enrolled on a full-time basis for one academic year, and may be taken either during (pre-completion) or immediately following studies (post-completion). The work must be related to the program of study. Employment may only be part-time (20 hours or less per week) prior to program completion, and must be full-time (40 hours per week) following completion of the program. The activity cannot begin until the U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has authorized it and issued an Employment Authorization Document (EAD).

To support your application for an EAD, you need a new I-20 with a recommendation for OPT. Please submit this form to International Programs to obtain a recommendation for post-completion OPT and to initiate your OPT application process with the USCIS.

NOTE: OPT must be requested prior to the completion of program requirements. OPT is available for a cumulative maximum of 12 months full-time for each level of study.

Student Name _____ KUID# _____
Last First Middle (Full)

Program of Study _____ Degree Level _____

Anticipated Date of **Completion of Degree Requirements (not graduation)**: _____

Proposed Dates of Employment: From _____ To _____ Hours Per Week _____
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

Check the **one** applicable situation:

The student has completed all course requirements (or will have by the USCIS authorized start date), and is only engaged in thesis, dissertation or equivalent.

The student has completed all degree requirements (or will have by the USCIS authorized start date).

As Academic Advisor of this student, I verify the accuracy of the information supplied and recommend the student for the employment described herein:

Signature _____

Printed Name _____

Date _____