

# 17-month OPT Extension Application

The 17-month OPT extension rule extends the maximum period of OPT from 12 months to 29 months for F-1 students who have completed a science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) degree and accept employment with employers enrolled in U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' (USCIS') E-Verify employment verification program. You must also submit a newly completed I-765 form, copies of your passport, I-94 (paper or electronic), visa page, I-20 with OPT/CPT authorizations, copies of your diploma/transcript, EAD and a completed OPT Update form.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Family First/Given Middle

WID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Expiration Date\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*If your passport is within 6 months of expiring, renew it as soon as possible.

Dates listed on current EAD: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Employment History: Please provide a separate sheet with a detail of your employment history for the 12-month period.  
Dates of Unemployment: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Program listed within STEM field Yes No Degree program: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer is a participant in E-Verify Yes No E-Verify #: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Information: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Street Address City, State, Zipcode

Start date with E-Verify Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Job title or position: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's email: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor's phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit the following application materials for STEM extension to ISSS

- STEM application form
- Newly completed I-765 (<http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/i-765.pdf>)
- Copies of your passport, I-94 (front & back of paper form or print out from [www.cbp.gov/i94](http://www.cbp.gov/i94)), visa page, current EAD and I-20 with OPT or CPT authorizations.
- Copy of your diploma or transcripts
- OPT Update form ([www.k-state.edu/iss](http://www.k-state.edu/iss))

By signing this application form, I ensure that I fully understand the responsibilities in maintaining my status while on Post-Completion OPT and the 17-month STEM extension. These responsibilities include but are not limited to;

- Reporting to ISSS within 10 days of any changes to your name, address, employer, or interruption of employment. Even if no changes are made, I must update my record every 6 months from the EAD start date. Dates of unemployment cannot exceed a total of 120 days for the entire 29 month period of OPT.
- Providing a copy of my new EAD to ISSS as soon as I receive it.
- Alerting ISSS by email if I decide to leave the country and not return to use your OPT or if I change my visa type.
- Inform my employer that they must report to ISSS within 48 hours if I am terminated or depart from employment before the end of my EAD.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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