

**SEVIS REGULATIONS GOVERNING
POST/PRE COMPLETION OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING**

- ❖ Student may work for more than one employer and/or change employers during the period of authorized Practical Training, if each position is directly related to the student's field of study and commensurate with the educational level.
- ❖ Upon approval of your request for Optional Practical Training (OPT), you will be notified by USCIS on instructions for creating a portal account. The portal account allows you to report **required information** to SEVP in a timely manner. If you do not receive an email with instructions on how to create your portal account, it is your responsibility to inform the Office of International Student Services as soon as possible.
- ❖ Student may travel abroad temporarily and return to the United States (US), upon providing an 1-20 form endorsed by the Designated School Official, an unexpired Employment Authorization Document (EAD) and proof of return to resume employment.
- ❖ Student engaging in OPT, continues to be in F-1 status and is therefore subject, not only to the requirement of an endorsed 1-20 and EAD card for re-entry to the United States, but the student must have a valid F-1 visa (unless exempted from the visa requirement) in order to re-enter the US.

Please note that you are assuming a risk if you make the decision to depart the US prior to receiving your EAD card, a job or a job offer.

STUDENT NAME:

DATE: