

24 Month STEM OPT Extension Application Checklist

Please set up an in-person or video conference meeting with your LC State DSO/PDSO to discuss the application process and requirements during STEM OPT.

Online Application (Recommended)

- Submit Completed STEM OPT Extension Request to IPO
- Prepare Your Documents for Upload (pdf or jpeg, no special characters in name) and collect important information:
 - Completed <u>I-983</u> Training Plan
 - Employer's contact information and e-Verify number
 - Signed I-20 with STEM Extension
 - Scanned copy of your final transcript with your STEM degree
 - Scanned passport photo (see photo composition template)
 - EAD (front and back)
 - Passport(s) ID page
 - F-1 Visa page
 - <u>Form I-94</u>
- Create or log into your USCIS Account
- Complete Form $\underline{\text{I-765}}$ -- Use the correct category (c)(3)(C)
- Pay \$410 with a credit or debit card and submit



24 Month STEM OPT Extension Application Checklist - Paper Application

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Paper Application

- Submit Completed STEM OPT Extension Request to IPO
- Review Form I-765 Instructions
- Prepare Your Mailing:
- Completed <u>I-983</u> Training Plan
- Completed <u>I-765</u> Application for Employment Authorization with Employer's e-Verify Company ID number and the category (c)(3)(C)
- G-1145 E-Notification Application (optional)
- Signed I-20 with STEM Extension
- Copy of your transcript with STEM degree.
- Check or Money Order for \$410 made out to the US Department of Homeland Security OR Form <u>G-1450</u> (authorizing USCIS to charge your credit/debit card).
- 2 passport-sized photos (front facing, white background)
- <u>Form I-94</u>.
- Copy of your current EAD card (front and back)
- Mailing Instructions (see Foreign Students Section)