



Request for 17-Month STEM Extension for F-1 Optional Practical Training (OPT)

This form is used to request a new I-20 recommending a 17-month STEM Extension for F-1 Optional Practical Training. Authorization is granted to USCIS and students may apply up to 90 days before the expiration of their current OPT. Please see our handout for important details on eligibility, reporting requirements, and application procedures.

Student Information:

UID: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

U.S. Residential Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

12-Month OPT Authorization: Dates: _____ to _____ EAD copy attached

UR Primary Major: _____ UR Secondary Major: _____

Current Employment:

Name of Employer: _____

Employer Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Job Title: _____ Name of Supervisor: _____

Supervisor Email: _____ Supervisor Phone: _____

Certification:

- I will report any change of name, address, email, phone number or employment details (including periods of unemployment) to ISO within **10 days** using the OPT Reporting Form on the ISO website: www.iso.rochester.edu/optreporting.
- I will submit verification of current employment details to the ISO **every 6 months** throughout the 17-months of the authorized OPT STEM Extension.
- I will notify the ISO of any change in my U.S. immigration status.
- I understand that the unemployment limit will be extended to a total of **120 days** during the STEM Extension, including any days accrued during the initial 12-month OPT authorization.
- I understand that work permission authorized by an approved STEM Extension is subject to the employer's enrollment in the DHS E-Verify program.
- I understand that I will remain on the University of Rochester's F-1 visa program sponsorship while pursuing OPT and will abide by all immigration rules and notification procedures to the ISO.

Signature: _____ Date: _____