



International Student and Scholar Services
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EMPLOYMENT TOPIC WORKSHOPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS Fall 2009

“Practical Training for F-1 Students”

(This 2-part workshop will be offered twice. Times and location are different for each date.)

❖ Thursday, October 1 – Parlors, Kansas Union (Level 5)

11:30 a.m. ‘Curricular Practical Training’ (CPT)

12:15 p.m. ‘Optional Practical Training’ (OPT)

(Feel free to bring your lunch and eat while listening.)

❖ Friday, October 2 – Pine Room, Kansas Union (Level 6)

3:30 p.m. ‘Curricular Practical Training’ (CPT)

4:15 p.m. ‘Optional Practical Training’ (OPT)

Advisors from the ISSS Office will explain the purpose, eligibility and application procedures for F-1 Curricular and Optional Practical Training. Application forms will be available and instructions on how to complete them will be provided. Plan to attend both the CPT and OPT segments to learn about the full range of options for employment related to an F-1 academic program. (OPT STEM extension and H-1b Cap-Gap extension will not be covered in this workshop. There will be a separate workshop to address these topics.)

“Academic Training for J-1 Students”

(This workshop will be offered twice)

❖ Thursday, October 1 – 12:15 p.m. – Governors Room, Kansas Union (Level 5)

(Feel free to bring your lunch and eat while listening.)

❖ Friday, October 2 – 4:00 p.m. – Governors Room, Kansas Union (Level 5)

An advisor from the ISSS Office will explain J-1 Academic Training employment options. J-1 students who are thinking about participating in a pre-completion internship or similar academic related employment, or who would like to obtain work experience in their field of study following graduation should plan to attend. Covered topics will include purpose, eligibility, and application processes. Application materials will be available and instructions on how to complete them will be provided.

“F-1 OPT S.T.E.M. and H-1b Cap Gap Extensions”

❖ Wednesday, October 7 – 4:00 p.m. – Courtside Room, Burge Union (Upper Level)

An ISSS advisor will explain eligibility and application procedures for the 17-month OPT extension available to students in certain Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics degree programs. Also discussed will be the potential for extending F-1 status and OPT work authorization for students who have a timely filed petition for H-1b approved or pending with an effective date beyond the expiration of their OPT authorization.

“Job Search Skills for International Students”

❖ Friday, October 23 – 3:00 p.m. – Room 149 Burge Union (Lower Level)

Staff from the University Career Center will discuss resume and cover letter preparation, interviewing tips, and general job search techniques for international students planning to seek employment in the U.S. A special focus related to the cultural expectations of American style interviews will be of particular interest. This program is highly recommended for students considering employment through either internships or post completion positions, but would also benefit those looking for an on-campus job as a student.

“H-1b and Employment-Based Permanent Residence”

❖ Thursday, November 12 – 3:30 p.m. – Jayhawk Room, Kansas Union (Level 5)

Attorneys from Eisberg and Bordeau, a law firm specializing in employment-based immigration issues, will explain the process for obtaining H-1b employment status and acquiring permanent residence (commonly known as a “green card”) through employer sponsorship.