

# 24 - MONTH STEM OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING ( STEM OPT )

## Application Process

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### **Submit all of your Application Documents to ISSS**

Earliest: 90 days before your OPT end date

Latest: 14 days before your OPT end date

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### **Submit your Application and New I-20 to USCIS**

Up to 7 business days after submission to ISSS

ISSS will notify you to sign and pick up your new I-20 along with application documents so you can mail them to USCIS.

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### **Receive Form I-797C Notice of Action (Receipt Notice)**

Approximately 30 days after submission to USCIS

USCIS will mail your notice to the address provided on your I-765. Check for correctness and submit a copy to ISSS.

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### **Receive Employment Authorization Document (EAD)**

Approximately 90 -150 days after submission to USCIS

If STEM OPT is approved, USCIS will mail your your EAD. Submit a copy of EAD (front and back) to ISSS. An updated I-20 will be issued for you.

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### **Comply with Reporting Requirements**

ISSS will provide you with detailed instructions and SEVP will send you periodic reminders.

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