

International Offices

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International Student – Internship Eligibility

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FAQ

Can I work off-campus?

NO! Off-campus work for pay without it being an internship for credit (and major related) is strictly prohibited and **can result in a cancellation of your visa.** Examples of forbidden work includes babysitting, mowing a lawn, snow removal and coaching a sport. You can only work off-campus if it is a volunteer position (unpaid) or an internship for credit.

How do I receive course credit?

You must be eligible for an internship (over 60 credits, 2.0 GPA or above and at least junior year). You must also go through the process of being approved for CPT (see section on CPT) and an internship through the International Offices and Career Development Center (CDC).

FAQ CONTINUED...

Can I receive pay for an internship?

You can only receive pay for an internship if you have been approved for CPT and an internship. Not all internships sites have the ability to pay. If you decide to do an internship that is not for course credit this would be volunteer, therefore, you cannot receive payment in any form (i.e pay, gift cards, groceries, or gas money).

Does my internship have to be approved?

Yes. Your internship must be approved by the International Offices, CDC and your advisor. The main criteria is that your internship is directly related to your major. You will come up with "course objectives" with your advisor that you must achieve through the internship.

WHAT IS CPT?

Curricular Practical Training. F1 international students may be eligible if they pass this criteria:

- Training relates directly to the student's major area of study.
- Training is an integral part of the school's established curriculum.
- Designated school official (DSO) authorized CPT in SEVIS, and the authorization prints on the student's Form I-20.
- Occurs before the student's program end date on the Form I-20.
- Authorization is for one specific employer and for a specific period of time.
- Student must secure the training opportunity before CPT can be authorized.
- CPT must be authorized before the student can begin work.
- Student can have more than one CPT authorization at the same time.
- One year of full-time CPT eliminates a student's eligibility for OPT.

Learn more about internships here...



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