

**24-Month STEM OPT Extension Application**

**International Services**

**Instructions:**

To request an OPT STEM extension I-20, **you must submit this form AND I-983** to intlservices@webster.edu.

Your email subject line should be**:**

**OPT STEM Extension Request, Last name, First name, Webster ID #, campus code (WEBG/ORLN/KANS, etc.)**

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*Subject Line: STEM OPT Request, Last name, First name, Webster ID # campus code (WEBG/ORLN, etc.)*

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Current home address: 8909 N Scrimshaw Dr, Apt no: 204, Peoria, Illinois, 61615

Your Job Title: AWS Devops Engineer

How do you want to receive your new STEM OPT I-20.

By mailing to my current home address : 8909 N Scrimshaw Dr, APT 204, Peoria, Illinois, 61615

I understand that I must mail this form to International Services in order to request my STEM OPT I-20 form.

**By signing below, you verify that you understand and agree to adhere to the following DHS regulatory requirements:**

1. You are currently on Optional Practical Training (OPT) and are employed or have been offered employment for practical training in your major field of study.

1. Your current or future employer is enrolled in E-Verify. For more information, see:

<http://www.dhs.gov/ximgtn/programs/gc_1185221678150.shtm>

1. You have not been unemployed for more than 90 days while on OPT.

1. **You will report to International Services via** [**www.webster.edu/iris**](http://www.webster.edu/iris) **within 10 days of each occurrence:**  any change in your home address each time that you move
   * any change in the name **AND/OR** the address of your employer by submission of a new [I-983 form](https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/form-i-983-overview)
   * the loss of your job at any time during your OPT authorization

1. Your employer agrees to notify the Office of International Affairs (intlservices@webster.edu) within 5 days in the event of the **termination of your employment or your departure from the job.**

1. You and your employer agree to **submit an** [**I-983 form**](https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/form-i-983-overview) **to update your employment information** as soon as a material change occurs and within 10 days of each 12-month evaluation.

1. Your OPT will end if you accrue a total of 150 days of unemployment (counted from the start of your total OPT period), or if you transfer to another school.

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1. **The STEM OPT extension regulations have added new reporting requirements that must be completed in order to maintain your status.** You will “check in” with IS (intlservices@webster.edu) with an e-mail titled “STEM OPT validation” Last name, First name, Webster ID #, campus code (WEBG/ORLN/KANS, etc.) **every six months** during the STEM OPT extension from the start date listed on your new OPT card; at those check-ins, we need your mailing address as well as your employer’s name and address.

The reporting requirements include a 6-month demographic information update and a 12 and 24 month selfevaluation.

**Every 6 months** I will report to the Designated School Official (DSO) verifying that my details have not changed:

My STEM OPT start date is: 12/07/2018

My first 6 month reporting date falls on: 06/06/2019

My second 6 month reporting date (12 months into extension) is: 12/06/2019

My third 6 month reporting date (18 months into extension is: 06/06/2020

My last 6 month reporting date (24 months into extension) is: 12/06/2020

Additionally, 12 months and 24 months into my STEM extension I must submit a self-evaluation:

My first self-evaluation at 12 months into my STEM extension is due on :12/07/2019

My second self-evaluation at 24 months into my STEM extension is due on : 12/04/2020

1. **Traveling While on OPT Extension**: You may travel while on OPT Extension. However, please keep in mind that you are still in F-1 status and that you will need the following in order to re-enter the United States:

* + A valid travel signature on your most current I-20 (within 5 months of re-entry)
  + Your unexpired Employment Authorization Document (EAD) or I-797 receipt notice
  + A letter from your employer indicating that you currently hold a job in your field of study and will be returning to the U.S. to resume employment
  + A valid passport
  + A valid F-1 visa

1. **After completing your 24-month STEM OPT Extension**: You are entitled to a 60-day grace period after the last day of OPT as indicated on your EAD. You may not work during your 60-day grace period. This 60-day grace period is to return home or to start a new program. You will need to notify the Office of International Affairs if you plan to begin another course of study after your OPT ends.

*I affirm that I understand the information provided to me on this application form and on the supplemental “OPT STEM Extension Information Sheet”, and I agree to the conditions set forth as described by these documents.*

Sairaja challagulla 09/05/2018

Print Name (*this indicates your signature of this form*) Date