

Employer Verification for STEM OPT

This form will be used by West Virginia University to verify qualification of students who wish to apply for a 24-month STEM OPT extension of their F-1 Student OPT (Optional Practical Training). An extension depends on several factors established by the Department of Homeland Security including:

- *The F-1 Student employee must have a job with an employer registered with the E-Verify employment verification system.*
- *The employer must agree to report the termination or departure of the student to the International Student Counselor, or through “any other means or process identified by DHS”. An employer must consider a worker to have departed when the employer knows the student has left employment, or if the student has not reported for work for a period of five consecutive business days without the employer's consent. The employer must agree to report within 48 hours the termination or departure to the International Student Counselor.*
- *Regulations regarding the information required above can be found in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations [8 CFR 214.2(f)(10)(ii)(C)].*

If the employer agrees, please complete and sign form below:

Employer's Name (as listed in E-Verify):

Employer's E-Verify Company Identification Number or a valid E-Verify Client:

Company Identification Number:

Name of individual representing Employer:

Signature

Date

Please forward the completed document to the WVU's International Students & Scholars Services office or have the student forward it to our office (iss-students@mail.wvu.edu). Contact WVU ISSS (304-293-3519) with any questions that you may have.