
West Texas A&M University Optional Practical Training

Please contact the **International Student Office** for questions about OPT.
Phone number: 806-651-2073

Optional Practical Training (OPT) – Initial Application – Pickup: (\$110.00)

- This service is **for international students in F1 visa status** seeking OPT authorization upon degree completion.
- Students seeking OPT for their 1st year of employment authorization should select this option.
- Payment of this fee is associated with maintenance of your SEVIS record during the one year period of OPT.
- **Please Note:**
 - Payment must be confirmed by the international student services office prior to scheduling an appointment for assistance with OPT application and advising services.

Optional Practical Training (OPT) – STEM Extension – Pickup: (\$215.00)

- This service is for international students applying for an OPT STEM extension.
- **To qualify for a STEM extension, the applicant must:** (1) Be in active OPT status (2) Working in a STEM related field and (3) Currently employed by an e-verify employer.
- Payment of the fee is associated with maintenance of your SEVIS record during the two year STEM extension.
- **Please Note:**
 - Payment must be confirmed by the international student services office prior to receiving assistance with OPT STEM application and advising services.