

**Office of International
Student Services
Spring 2008 Information Sessions**



The Office of International Student Services invites you to attend the following Information Sessions which were planned especially for you this semester. We hope that you find these sessions beneficial to your stay in the U.S., & we look forward to seeing you this spring!

► **Maintaining Lawful F-1 Status**

- Friday, January 18, 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 112, Student Center Building
This session will highlight student responsibilities for maintaining lawful F-1 status here in the U.S. Benefits of the F-1 status and important travel procedures will also be discussed. All continuing F-1 students are encouraged to attend this session.

► **Maintaining Lawful J-1 Status**

- Friday, January 18, 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 112, Student Center Building
This session will highlight the responsibilities for maintaining lawful J-1 status here in the U.S. J-1 benefits and important travel procedures will also be discussed. All continuing J-1 students are encouraged to attend.

► **Overview of Employment Rules & Options for F-1 Students**

- Thursday, January 31, 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 118, Student Center Building
Employment is considered to be the rendering of services for compensation—financial or other. Working in the U.S. without proper authorization, and/or for more hours than permitted, are serious violations of the F-1 status which can lead to severe consequences, such as deportation. All F-1 international students who are considering employment in the U.S. are encouraged to attend this session, which will cover the five types of employment options available to them as well as the rules and regulations for working in the U.S. If you are interested in working in the U.S. we look forward to seeing you at this session! **Special Note:** *Self-employment is not permitted for F-1 students, and F-2 dependents are not permitted to work in the U.S. under any circumstances.*

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► **F-1 Student Optional Practical Training (Mandatory for all F-1 students who plan to apply for OPT this spring)**

- Thursday, January 24, 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 112, Student Center Building

- Friday, February 15, 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 118, Student Center Building

- Thursday, March 13, 3:00pm

LOCATION: Room 118, Student Center Building

- Friday, April 4, 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 118, Student Center Building

All F-1 students who are planning to apply for OPT this spring must attend one of these four sessions where OPT applications will be distributed and the application process will be explained. F-1 students cannot apply for OPT this spring without first attending one of these four sessions, and all OPT applications must be submitted to USCIS before your academic program completion date. Sessions will start on time, so please do not be late. Attendance will be taken.

► **F-1 Student Curricular Practical Training (Mandatory for all F-1 students who plan to do a required academic internship during Spring or Summer '08)**

- Friday, February 8, 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 112, Student Center Building

- Thursday, March 27, 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 118, Student Center Building

- Friday, April 11, 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 118, Student Center Building

All F-1 students who plan to do a mandatory academic internship during the Spring or Summer '08 semesters are required to attend one of these three CPT Sessions this spring before the OISS can process their CPT application. CPT is explained, the application process is discussed, and the CPT applications are distributed at this session. Sessions will start on time, so please do not be late. Attendance will be taken.



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