



# CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE

*International Student Services*

## **Academic Advisor's Recommendation for Optional Practical Training (OPT)**

This form provides the information required by United States Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS) necessary for granting employment authorization to students in lawful F-1 status.

### **WHAT IS OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING?**

**Optional Practical Training (OPT) is a type of temporary work authorization granted to eligible F-1 international students in order to gain practical experience in his/her field of study for up to 12 months post-completion of studies.**

The student's academic adviser must read, complete and sign this form in order for the Director, International Student Services to approve the student's Optional Practical Training (OPT) Application.

### **To be completed by the student:**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Major/Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the type of employment sought and how it relates to your major:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### **To be completed by the advisor:**

Advisor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Expected Coursework Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\* This is the date of the student's final exam or final class in his/her last required course -- not date of graduation. \*\*\*\*

This student above is expected to complete all degree requirements and s/he will be eligible to graduate after the end date indicated above.

**To the best of your knowledge, is the type of employment (listed above) related to the student's field of study?**

[ ] Yes [ ] No

Advisor's Name (Print)

Advisor's Signature

Date

#### **Student should return the completed form to:**

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