



*International  
Center*

**Optional Practical Training (OPT) Application - Verification of Program Completion**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First)

Winthrop ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Degree Program: \_\_\_\_ Bachelor's \_\_\_\_ Master's

OPT Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of OPT Applied For: \_\_\_\_ Full-time \_\_\_\_ Part-time

---

ACADEMIC ADVISOR'S RECOMMENDATION

International students holding F-1 visas can apply to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) for permission to work for up to 12 months after completion of their degree program to gain experience in their field of study. These 12 months of work experience are called Optional Practical Training (OPT). The International Center must recommend a student for this benefit. Please check the statement that applies to this student:

- This student is in good academic standing, but will not have completed formal coursework requirements for the degree by the time he/she plans to begin his/her OPT benefit.
- This student will have completed all requirements for the degree by the time he/she plans to begin his/her OPT benefit, and will complete his/her degree on

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Academic Advisor's Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Academic Advisor's Email*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

*Once completed, please return this form to the International Center in 218 Dinkins Hall c/o Lindsey Hill*