F-1 Student OPT Application (STEM) Checklist

Note: This checklist is intended to serve as general guidance on the OPT application process. You should always speak with an international student advisor regarding OPT or any other benefit associated with your F-1 status. If you believe you are eligible for OPT and would benefit from

Application Category

5.	Submit the I-765 application online:	
	Upload all items in Step 3	
	Submit fee payment online through a secure USCIS website	
	Once payment is completed, the I-765 application is filed	
	I-765 must be filed within 30 days of date DSO issues the STEM OPT I-20	