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USCIS MODIFIES APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION

Previous Versions of Form I-765 Accepted until July 9, 2008

WASHINGTON—U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced today that it has revised [Form I-765](#), Application for Employment Authorization. The form now includes additional eligibility codes.

These changes have been made in accordance with the Department of Homeland Security's recent interim final rule regarding [Optional Practical Training](#) (OPT), published on April 8, 2008 in the **Federal Register**. The rule modifies the conditions and duration of OPT for qualified F-1 non-immigrant students.

USCIS will accept the July 30, 2007 edition of the form through July 8, 2008. As of July 9, 2008, USCIS will only accept the revised Form I-765, dated April 4, 2008, and will reject all requests using previous editions of the form.

The main purpose of Form I-765 is to allow certain aliens in the United States to request employment authorization and an Employment Authorization Document (EAD).

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