Requirements for the reporting of information by students engaging in Post-Completion Optional Practical Training have been released by the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Student & Exchange Visitor Program. It is imperative that all OWU students doing Post-Completion Optional Practical Training comply with all reporting requirements. Failure to do so will result in a failure to maintain status.

All those engaged in Post-Completion Optional Practical Training must report to IOCP the following:

1. A change of address—the physical address of domicile, not a post office box.
2. An official change of name—such as may happen after marriage.
3. Employer’s name, address of employment location, and the exact start date of employment.
4. Any period of unemployment.

Reporting of the above must occur WITHIN TEN DAYS of the change.

Please note the following:

* Those engaged in Post-Completion OPT may accrue a maximum of 90 days of unemployment. Any more than this will result in a loss of status.
* Post-completion OPT must be full-time (i.e. more than 20 hours per week).
* Unpaid full-time internships qualify for OPT.
* Those engaged in Post-Completion OPT must have their Form I-20 endorsed every SIX MONTHS, whether traveling or not.
* Those who graduated with a MAJOR in a STEM discipline MAY be eligible for a 17-month extension of their OPT. Please contact ISS if you have questions.
* Those engaged in Post-Completion OPT who have been approved for an H1B may be eligible for “Cap Gap” work permission.
* For more information, please see www.ice.gov/sevis/students/index.htm.

You must report changes to IOCP by ONLY one of the following two ways:

* By email: iocp@owu.edu
* By fax: 740-368-3073