

OPT and Travel updated

If you decide to leave the country for a vacation or any reason, you must notify ISS. We will need to give you the necessary information you need before you travel. If you leave the country, it is at your own risk. There are no guarantees you will be granted re-entry.

- A- Leaving the country before approved for OPT: **Not advised.**
- B- Leaving the country after OPT approved but not employed. -**Not Advised.**
- C- Leaving the country after OPT approved and employed- **At your discretion.** If your visa has expired, you must renew your visa before you return, or do not plan to leave the country. Please contact ISS for that process for an OPT visa renewal.
 - Ask your supervisor or employer to write you a letter stating you are currently employed and they are giving you permission to leave and to return on _____date.
 - Take your form I-20 with your signature and an updated travel signature on the 2nd page within the last 6 months.
 - Passport, that is valid for at least 6 months in the future.
 - Valid Visa. Not expired.
 - EAD Card

Remember, it is always at the discretion of the US government and CBP at the airport to allow you to re-enter the US. Travel at your own risk if you leave the country.