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FINAL OPT Employment Authorization / Employment / Tax / Travel Reminders

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International Students - Planning to work in the U.S. this summer or after graduation?

Now is the time to apply for Optional Practical Training [OPT]!

The OPT work authorization card takes approximately 90+ days to be processed by USCIS, so now is the time to apply if you plan to work on OPT in the U.S. this summer! You do not need to have secured employment to apply. Come to OISSS (3rd Floor of JWW) during walk-in advising hours M-Th 1:30-3:30pm with the [required documents](#) to get started on your application.

For further information, see Employment Options for F-1 Students

<https://www.brown.edu/about/administration/international-student-and-scholar-services/students/f-1-student/f-1-student-employment>

Attorney Presentation: Employment and Visa Options for International Students and Scholars

The focus of these informational sessions, one geared toward students and the other one toward scholars, will be on nonimmigrant employment with special emphasis on visa options after the completion of studies* or research program. Mr. Berger will discuss various types of working visas and applicable filing requirements, and update participants on current H-1B provisions and the petition process for H-1B visas. Other work visas and employment-based permanent residency (green card) will be introduced as well.

Thursday, March 1, 2018 from 4:00 - 5:30 PM (for F and/or J students)

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Thursday, March 1, 2018 from 5:30 - 7:00 PM (for J and/or H-1B scholars)

Presenter: Immigration Attorney Dan Berger

Location: Smith-Buonanno Hall 106, 65 Cushing Street

2017 Income Tax Filing deadline is April 15, 2018.

For information on how to file your 2017 taxes as a Non-Resident please view the Annual Income Tax Return Filing page linked below.

<https://www.brown.edu/about/administration/international-student-and-scholar-services/taxes/annual-income-tax-return-filing>

International Travel during Spring Break

If you are leaving the United States during the Spring Break, please take a moment to check that you have a current (less than a year old at time of re-entry to the U.S.) travel signature on page 3 of your I-20 for F-1 students or in the lower right hand corner of your DS-2019 for J-1 students/scholars.

If you need a new travel signature, please drop off your I-20 or DS-2019 at the OISSS (3rd Floor of JWW) to be signed. Please keep in mind that due to the volume of requests, the travel signature process takes 3 business days.

At this time we also remind you to take a moment to review the travel information on the OISSS website.

<http://www.brown.edu/about/administration/international-student-and-scholar-services/travel-information-re-entry-us>