



Procedures for Requesting a Social Security Number for CPT or OPT

F-1 students can only request a Social Security Number (SSN) if:

1. The student has an Employment Authorization Document (EAD) from US Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS) authorizing employment *or*
2. The student has authorization on page 2 of the I-20 for Curricular Practical Training *or*
3. The student has received an offer for on-campus employment.

Obtaining a Social Security Number:

1. Once you have received your EAD from USCIS or your CPT I-20 from CIE, you should request a letter from CIE for Obtaining a Social Security Number using the Letter Request Form.
2. Visit the Hayward office