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U.S. Physical Address

Complete fields 7.a - 7.e with your U.S. physical address (where you live).

Other Information

- 8. Leave blank unless you have previously been issued an EAD from USCIS. If you have previously received an EAD, the A# may be listed on your card as the USCIS #.
- 9. Leave blank unless you already have a USCIS online account. Most students will not have a USCIS online account.
- 10 11. Complete fields with your information
- 12. Indicate if you have previously filed a Form I-765 with USCIS

Items 13.a - 17.b refer to your Social Security Number (SSN)

If you've already been issued an SSN, answer as follows:

13.a.

13.b. Provide your SSN

15 - 17.b. Leave blank

If you have NOT already been issued an SSN and want the Social Security Administration to issue you one upon approval of your OPT (instead of applying in person at a Social Security Administration office), answer as follows:

13.b. Leave blank

16.a.-17.b. Provide the full names of your Father and Mother

If you have NOT already been issued an SSN and prefer to apply in-person at a Social Security Administration office upon approval of your OPT (instead of having the SSA issue you one automatically), answer as follows:

13.b. Leave blank

15 - 17.b. Leave blank

Your Country or Countries of Citizenship or Nationality

18.a. Indicate your country of citizenship

Part 6. Additional Information

Complete this section only if you have additional information to provide. Typical examples of this include:

- 1. You have been approved for CPT in the past
- 2. You have submitted a Form I-765 to USCIS (for OPT, Severe Economic Hardship, etc) in the past (even if the application was later withdrawn or denied)
- 3. You have used a different SEVIS ID in F-1 status in the US (for example, if you attended school for a while, left the US to take a break from school, and returned with a new I-20, you would have a SEVIS ID from your first period of attendance that is different than your current SEVIS ID).

If you need to complete Part 6, please see the instructions below:

- 1.a 1.c. Complete these fields exactly the same way you did on Page 1, Part 2. These fields may populate automatically.
- 2. Complete this field the same way you did on Page 2, Item 8. If you left it blank on Page 2, leave it blank here. For <u>each</u> of the items for which you need to provide additional information (previous CPT, previous OPT, etc), complete one number (#3.a. 3.d., #4.a. 4.d. etc) in Part 6.

Please see below examples for various scenarios that may apply to you:

Previous CPT Authorization(s)

You can find your CPT details on the I-20 that was approved for each period of CPT. Please see the following example:



Previous OPT		
Approved OPT:		
Withdrawn OPT:		