STEM OPT Extension Application Checklist

Use the following STEM OPT Extension Application Checklist to assemble your application packet and mail it to USCIS. It is your responsibility to complete the required application and submit it in a timely manner. **USCIS must receive your complete STEM OPT Extension Application packet before the expiration date of your Post-Completion OPT EAD and within 60 days of the STEM OPT Extension recommendation made by a CSUF Designated School Official (date your STEM OPT I20 was issued).**

- Form I-765, signed in black ink and dated ([https://www.uscis.gov/i-765](https://www.uscis.gov/i-765))
  - Electronic/Digital signatures will result in rejection or denial.
  - You must use the current edition of the form I-765 as indicated on the USCIS website
- Copy of current OPT EAD
- Copy of STEM OPT Extension I-20
  - Sign and date page 1
- Copy of I-94 card or printout of electronic record ([https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home](https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home))
- Copy of passport page(s)
  - Must show name, photograph, date of birth, and passport expiration date
- Copy of STEM diploma and transcript (official or unofficial)
- If applicable, copy of all CPT/OPT/Economic Hardship I-20(s) from CSUF and previous schools
- If applicable, copy of EAD(s) other than the current OPT EAD
- Two (2) U.S. Style Passport Photos
  - Must be 2 inches x 2 inches with a white background
  - Using a pencil, write your name and SEVIS ID number on the back of each photo
  - Place photos in a small envelope with your name & SEVIS ID number on the envelope.

- Personal Check or Money Order for $410, Payable to “U.S. Department of Homeland Security”

**Money Order:**
- Pay to: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- (Do not shorten to US DHS or DHS)
- Amount: $410.00
- Write your SEVIS ID Number & Date of Birth somewhere on money order

**Personal Check:**
- Must come from a U.S. bank account
- Pay to: U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- (Do not shorten to US DHS or DHS)
- Write: Four Hundred and Ten Dollars
- Write your date of birth and SEVIS ID number somewhere on the check
- Do not write or sign on the back of the check