Mailing Instructions for OPT Applications

Your application for Optional Practical Training must be filed with USCIS. Please use the table below to determine which address to use on the envelope. Please note that separate addresses are designated for delivery by express mail and courier services such as UPS, FedEx and DHL. All deliveries by U.S. mail—including Priority, Express or other accelerated mail services provided by the U.S. Postal Service—must be addressed to the U.S. Postal Service address.

The address to which the application is sent is determined by the address provided by you on the I-765 form; this means that if you choose to use the ISO mailing address on the I-765 form, your application should be mailed to the Phoenix, AZ lockbox, regardless of where you currently live.

If the address indicated in item 3 on the I-765 form is located in:	Mail your application to:
Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Guam, or the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands.	USCIS Phoenix Lockbox For U.S. Postal Service (USPS) deliveries: USCIS PO Box 21281 Phoenix, AZ 85036 For Express mail and courier service (i.e. Fed Ex, DHL, etc.) deliveries: USCIS Attn: AOS 1820 E. Skyharbor Circle S Suite 100 Phoenix, AZ 85034
Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, U.S. Virgin Islands, or West Virginia	USCIS Dallas Lockbox For U.S. Postal Service Deliveries (USPS): USCIS PO Box 660867 Dallas, TX 75266 For Express mail and courier service (i.e. Fed Ex, DHL, etc.) deliveries: USCIS Attn: AOS 2501 S. State Hwy. 121, Business Suite 400 Lewisville, TX 75067

Processing Information:

Any Form I-765 that is not signed or accompanied by the correct fee will be rejected with a notice that Form I-765 is deficient. You may correct the deficiency and resubmit Form I-765. An application or petition is not considered properly filed until accepted by USCIS.

Once the Form I-765 has been accepted, it will be checked for completeness, including submission of the required initial evidence. If you do not completely fill out the form, or file it without required initial evidence, you will not establish a basis for eligibility, and USCIS may deny your Form I-765.

Current USCIS processing time is 3 months.