START HERE - Type or print in black ink. Answer all questions fully and accurately. If a question does not apply to you (for example, if you have never been married and the question asks, “Provide the name of your current spouse”), type or print “N/A” unless otherwise directed. If your answer to a question which requires a numeric response is zero or none (for example, “How many children do you have” or “How many times have you departed the United States”), type or print “None” unless otherwise directed.

Part 1. Reason for Applying

I am applying for (select only one box):

1.a. ☒ Initial permission to accept employment.

1.b. ☐ Replacement of lost, stolen, or damaged employment authorization document, or correction of my employment authorization document NOT DUE to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) error.

   NOTE: Replacement (correction) of an employment authorization document due to USCIS error does not require a new Form I-765 and filing fee. Refer to Replacement for Card Error in the What is the Filing Fee section of the Form I-765 Instructions for further details.

1.c. ☐ Renewal of my permission to accept employment.

   (Attach a copy of your previous employment authorization document.)

   Select #1c if this is NOT your first time applying for OPT and attach your previous EAD card.

Part 2. Information About You

Your Full Legal Name

1.a. Family Name (Last Name) ☐ Enter Last Name or Family Name

1.b. Given Name (First Name) ☐ Enter First Name or Given Name

1.c. Middle Name ☐ Enter Middle Name or Initial

*Enter name printed on your legal documents
Part 2. Information About You (continued)

Your U.S. Mailing Address

5.a. In Care Of Name (if any)
If someone else will be receiving your OPT EAD card, enter their name.

5.b. Street Number and Name


5.d. City or Town

5.e. State □ 5.f. ZIP Code

6. Is your current mailing address the same as your physical address? Select One □ Yes □ No

NOTE: If you answered “No” to Item Number 6., provide your physical address below.

U.S. Physical Address

7.a. Street Number and Name


7.c. City or Town

7.d. State □ 7.e. ZIP Code

Other Information

8. Alien Registration Number (A-Number) (if any)
If unavailable, leave blank or enter N/A

9. USCIS Online Account Number (if any)
If unavailable, leave blank or enter N/A

10. Gender Select One □ Male □ Female

11. Marital Status Select One
□ Single □ Married □ Divorced □ Widowed

12. Have you previously filed Form I-765? Select One
If selected 'Yes', please complete Pg 7, Pt 6, Additional Information section and add evidence.

13.a. Has the Social Security Administration (SSA) ever officially issued a Social Security card to you? Select One
□ Yes □ No

NOTE: If you answered “No” to Item Number 13.a., skip to Item Number 14. If you answered “Yes” to Item Number 13.a., provide the information requested in Item Number 13.b.

13.b. Provide your Social Security number (SSN) (if known).

14. Do you want the SSA to issue you a Social Security card? (You must also answer “Yes” to Item Number 15. Consent for Disclosure, to receive a card.)
If you need an SSN, select ‘Yes’. □ Yes □ No
If you do not need an SSN, select ‘No’ and skip to 18a.

NOTE: If you answered “No” to Item Number 14., skip to Part 2., Item Number 18.a. If you answered “Yes” to Item Number 14., you must also answer “Yes” to Item Number 15.

15. Consent for Disclosure: I authorize disclosure of information from this application to the SSA as required for the purpose of assigning me an SSN and issuing me a Social Security card. □ Yes □ No

If you need an SSN, complete this item.

NOTE: If you answered “Yes” to Item Numbers 14. - 15., provide the information requested in Item Numbers 16.a. - 17.b.

Father's Name If you need an SSN, complete Items #16a-17b.
Provide your father's birth name.

16.a. Family Name (Last Name)

16.b. Given Name (First Name)

Mother's Name

Provide your mother's birth name.

17.a. Family Name (Last Name)

17.b. Given Name (First Name)

Your Country or Countries of Citizenship or Nationality

List all countries where you are currently a citizen or national. If you need extra space to complete this item, use the space provided in Part 6. Additional Information.

18.a. Country

Enter Country of Citizenship

18.b. Country

If unavailable, leave blank or enter N/A

If you need a SSN card, select 'No' and complete Items #14-17.
If you have an SSN card, select 'Yes' and complete Items #13b- 14.

If you need an SSN, enter your SSN in Item #13b.
If you do not have an SSN, leave blank or enter N/A.
Part 2. Information About You (continued)

**Place of Birth**
List the city/town/village, state/province, and country where you were born.

19.a. City/Town/Village of Birth
Enter City of Birth

19.b. State/Province of Birth
Enter State/Province of Birth

19.c. Country of Birth
Enter Country of Birth

20. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)
Enter Date of Birth MM/DD/YYYY

**Information About Your Last Arrival in the United States**

21.a. Form I-94 Arrival-Departure Record Number (if any)
Download most recent I-94 Notice for Form I-129, Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker.
21.b. Passport Number of Your Most Recently Issued Passport
Enter Most Recent Passport Number

21.c. Travel Document Number (if any)
If unavailable, leave blank or enter N/A.

21.d. Country That Issued Your Passport or Travel Document
Enter Country of Passport

21.e. Expiration Date for Passport or Travel Document (mm/dd/yyyy)
Enter Passport Expiration Date

22. Date of Your Last Arrival Into the United States, On or About (mm/dd/yyyy) Enter date you last entered the U.S. Please make sure I-94 accurately reflects this date.

23. Place of Your Last Arrival Into the United States
Enter place of last entry to the U.S., Ex. Los Angeles, CA

24. Immigration Status at Your Last Arrival (for example, B-2 visitor, F-1 student, or no status)
F-1 Student

25. Your Current Immigration Status or Category (for example, B-2 visitor, F-1 student, parolee, deferred action, or no status or category)
F-1 Student

26. Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) Number (if any)
Your SEVIS Number should be on the top left corner of your most recent I-20.

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**Information About Your Eligibility Category**

27. Eligibility Category. Refer to the Who May File Form I-765 section of the Form I-765 Instructions to determine the appropriate eligibility category for this application. Enter the appropriate letter and number for your eligibility category below (for example, (a)(8), (c)(17)(iii)).

28. (c)(3)(C) STEM OPT Eligibility Category. If you entered the eligibility category (c)(3)(C) in Item Number 27., provide the information requested in Items 28.a. - 28.c. SKIP THE REST OF THE PAGE

28.a. Degree

28.b. Employer's Name as Listed in E-Verify

28.c. Employer's E-Verify Company Identification Number or a Valid E-Verify Client Company Identification Number

29. (c)(26) Eligibility Category. If you entered the eligibility category (c)(26) in Item Number 27., provide the receipt number of your H-1B spouse's most recent Form I-797 Notice.

30. (c)(8) Eligibility Category. If you entered the eligibility category (c)(8) in Item Number 27., provide the information requested in Items 30.a. - 30.g.

30.a. Have you EVER been arrested for, and/or charged with, and/or convicted of any crime in any country? 
Yes No

NOTE: If you answered “Yes” to Item Number 30.a., refer to Special Filing Instructions for Those With Pending Asylum Applications (c)(8) of the Form I-765 Instructions for information about providing court dispositions.

30.b. Did you enter the United States lawfully through a U.S. port of entry and were you inspected and admitted or paroled after inspection by an immigration officer? (If you answer “Yes,” you MUST provide evidence of your lawful entry.)
Yes No

30.c. If you answered “No” to Item Number 30.b., did you present yourself to the Secretary of Homeland Security or his or her delegate (DHS) within 48 hours of entry or attempted entry AND express an intention to seek asylum within the United States or express a fear of persecution or torture in your home country? 
Yes No
Part 2. Information About You (continued)
If you answered “Yes” to Item Number 30.c., provide the following information:
SKIP ITEMS #30d - 31b
30.d. Date you presented yourself to DHS

30.e. Location where you presented yourself to DHS

30.f. Country of claimed persecution

30.g. Provide an explanation for why you did not enter the United States lawfully through a U.S. port of entry. If you need extra space to complete this item, use the space provided in Part 6. Additional Information.

NOTE: Refer to the Special Filing Instructions for Those With Pending Asylum Applications (c)(8) section of the Form I-765 Instructions for more information.

31.a. (c)(35) and (c)(36) Eligibility Category. If you entered the eligibility category (c)(35) in Item Number 27., please provide the receipt number of your Form I-797 Notice for Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker. If you entered the eligibility category (c)(36) in Item Number 27., please provide the receipt number of your spouse's or parent's Form I-797 Notice for Form I-140.

31.b. If you entered the eligibility category (c)(35) or (c)(36) in Item Number 27., have you EVER been arrested for and/or convicted of any crime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

NOTE: If you answered “Yes” to Item Number 31.b., refer to Employment-Based Nonimmigrant Categories, Items 8. - 9., in the Who May File Form I-765 section of the Form I-765 Instructions for information about providing court dispositions.

Part 3. Applicant's Statement, Contact Information, Declaration, Certification, and Signature

NOTE: Read the Penalties section of the Form I-765 Instructions before completing this section. You must file Form I-765 while in the United States.

Applicant's Statement

NOTE: Select the box for either Item Number 1.a. or 1.b. If applicable, select the box for Item Number 2.

1.a. X I can read and understand English, and I have read and understand every question and instruction on this application and my answer to every question.

1.b. ☐ The interpreter named in Part 4. read to me every question and instruction on this application and my answer to every question in ▶ a language in which I am fluent, and I understood everything.

2. ☐ At my request, the preparer named in Part 5., prepared this application for me based only upon information I provided or authorized.

Applicant's Contact Information

3. Applicant's Daytime Telephone Number

4. Applicant's Mobile Telephone Number (if any)

5. Applicant's Email Address (if any)

6. ☐ Select this box if you are a Salvadoran or Guatemalan national eligible for benefits under the ABC settlement agreement.

Applicant's Declaration and Certification

Copies of any documents I have submitted are exact photocopies of unaltered, original documents, and I understand that USCIS may require that I submit original documents to USCIS at a later date. Furthermore, I authorize the release of any information from any and all of my records that USCIS may need to determine my eligibility for the immigration benefit that I seek.

I furthermore authorize release of information contained in this application, in supporting documents, and in my USCIS records, to other entities and persons where necessary for the administration and enforcement of U.S. immigration law.
Part 3. Applicant's Statement, Contact Information, Declaration, Certification, and Signature (continued)

I understand that USCIS may require me to appear for an appointment to take my biometrics (fingerprints, photograph, and/or signature) and, at that time, if I am required to provide biometrics, I will be required to sign an oath reaffirming that:

1) I reviewed and understood all of the information contained in, and submitted with, my application; and

2) All of this information was complete, true, and correct at the time of filing.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that all of the information in my application and any document submitted with it were provided or authorized by me, that I reviewed and understand all of the information contained in, and submitted with, my application and that all of this information is complete, true, and correct.

Applicant's Signature

7.a. Applicant's Signature

Must be HANDWRITTEN Signatures (NO Digital Signatures)

7.b. Date of Signature (mm/dd/yyyy)

NOTE TO ALL APPLICANTS: If you do not completely fill out this application or fail to submit required documents listed in the Instructions, USCIS may deny your application.

Part 4. Interpreter's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature

Interpreter's Contact Information

4. Interpreter's Daytime Telephone Number

5. Interpreter's Mobile Telephone Number (if any)

6. Interpreter's Email Address (if any)

Interpreter's Certification

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that:

I am fluent in English and ______________________, which is the same language specified in Part 3, Item Number 1.b., and I have read to this applicant in the identified language every question and instruction on this application and his or her answer to every question. The applicant informed me that he or she understands every instruction, question, and answer on the application, including the Applicant's Declaration and Certification, and has verified the accuracy of every answer.

Interpreter's Signature

7.a. Interpreter's Signature

7.b. Date of Signature (mm/dd/yyyy)
### Part 5. Contact Information, Declaration, and Signature of the Person Preparing this Application, If Other Than the Applicant

Provide the following information about the preparer.

#### Preparer's Full Name

1.a. Preparer's Family Name (Last Name)

1.b. Preparer's Given Name (First Name)

2. Preparer's Business or Organization Name (if any)

#### Preparer's Mailing Address

3.a. Street Number and Name


3.c. City or Town

3.d. State  3.e. ZIP Code

3.f. Province

3.g. Postal Code

3.h. Country

#### Preparer's Contact Information

4. Preparer's Daytime Telephone Number

5. Preparer's Mobile Telephone Number (if any)

6. Preparer's Email Address (if any)

#### Preparer's Statement

7.a. □  I am not an attorney or accredited representative but have prepared this application on behalf of the applicant and with the applicant's consent.

7.b. □  I am an attorney or accredited representative and my representation of the applicant in this case □ extends  □ does not extend beyond the preparation of this application.

**NOTE:** If you are an attorney or accredited representative, you need to submit a completed Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Accredited Representative, with this application.

#### Preparer's Certification

By my signature, I certify, under penalty of perjury, that I prepared this application at the request of the applicant. The applicant then reviewed this completed application and informed me that he or she understands all of the information contained in, and submitted with, his or her application, including the Applicant's Declaration and Certification, and that all of this information is complete, true, and correct. I completed this application based only on information that the applicant provided to me or authorized me to obtain or use.

#### Preparer's Signature

8.a. Preparer's Signature

8.b. Date of Signature (mm/dd/yyyy)
Part 6. Additional Information  See above description.

If you need extra space to provide any additional information within this application, use the space below. If you need more space than what is provided, you may make copies of this page to complete and file with this application or attach a separate sheet of paper. Type or print your name and A-Number (if any) at the top of each sheet; indicate the Page Number, Part Number, and Item Number to which your answer refers; and sign and date each sheet. If you need to use this space, complete #1a-1c.

1.a. Family Name (Last Name)  
1.b. Given Name (First Name)  
1.c. Middle Name  

2. A-Number (if any)  
   If unavailable, you can leave blank.

   Enter Degree Level; Enter Full-time or Part-Time
   Enter Company Name;
   Enter CPT Authorization Dates (Start - End Date)
   Add Remark: Please see attached for copy of the CPT I-20.

Note: If applicable, you can enter multiple CPT Authorizations in this item.

   Enter OPT Type (Pre-Completion OPT, Post-Completion OPT, or STEM OPT);
   Enter Degree Level; Enter EAD Start - End Dates;
   Enter EAD Card #
   Add Remark: Please see attached for the copy of the OPT EAD card.

5.a. Page Number   5.b. Part Number   5.c. Item Number   5.d. Previous SEVIS IDs
   Enter SEVIS ID # N00123456789; Enter Degree Level
   Enter I-20 Program Start - End Dates
   Add Remark: Please see attached for the copy of the I-20.


If you need additional space for explanation, please use this section. If you do not need to use this space, you can skip.

Below are examples on common items that may require explanation. These examples may not apply to everyone and are not in any order.