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**ACADEMIC ADVISOR'S RECOMMENDATION FORM
 FOR CURRICULAR PRACTICAL TRAINING**

The information requested is needed to comply with US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) regulations. The international student named below is applying for curricular practical training.

Curricular Practical Training (CPT) is employment that is an integral part of an established curriculum. Curricular practical training is defined to be alternative work/study, internship, or cooperative education arranged with the approval of your program, or any type of required internship or practicum that is offered by sponsoring employers through cooperative agreements. CPT may take place during the academic year and/or in the summer and MUST be undertaken prior to the completion of a course of study. Because USCIS uses a broad definition of employment – any activity for which a student receives a benefit, monetary or otherwise – even unpaid internships require CPT authorization.

Student completes this section:

Student Name: _____ Degree Sought: Bachelor's
 (please print) *first middle last* Master's
 PhD

Binghamton University B-Number: _____

Preferred E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Current Address in United States: _____ Permanent Address in home country: _____

Field of Study: _____

Previous Periods of Practical Training:

| Curricular Practical Training | Part-time or Full-time | Dates of CPT | Optional Practical Training | Dates of OPT |
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Necessary Course Registration* has been made: yes ___ no ___

*All students on authorized CPT must maintain full-time course registration during each fall and spring semester. As part of your full time course registration you will need to register for 1 credit related to this CPT. During the Summer Term you must also register for 1 credit related to a CPT authorized for the summer. This is necessary for authorization of your CPT. If training is not required by the degree program, but is recommended for the individual student then the student must register for a minimum of 1 course credit that reflects the CPT placement. This credit must be granted by the academic department for each semester of the CPT placement, including the summer term.

Failure to meet this requirement is a violation of current immigration regulations. The CPT will be cancelled, and you will be risking your valid F-1 status.

