

**Curricular
Practical
Training
(CPT)
Regulations**

Curricular Practical Training (CPT) for F-1 students is intended to provide hands-on practical work experience in situations where the work serves as an integral part of a student's academic program, prior to graduation.

KEY POINTS:

- Students that have been in F-1 status for at least nine months may apply to participate in CPT.
- Part-time CPT employment is permitted until the completion of a degree with no penalties to Optional Practical Training (OPT).
- Students who have received one year or more of full-time CPT are ineligible for Optional Practical Training.
- Curricular practical training is defined to be alternate work/study, internship, cooperative education or any other type of required internship or practicum, which is offered by sponsoring employers through cooperative agreements with the school.
- CPT is only while in the U.S.
- Students seeking a CPT opportunity must complete the Marietta College CPT application form BEFORE working
- CPT requires a change to your I-20. You are required to make an appointment with the Office of Education Abroad to complete this process.

INTERNSHIPS:

Internships are an opportunity for students studying in the U.S. to develop professional skills and real-life work experience. International students are required to process their internship form with various offices on campus including the Office of Education Abroad prior to the start date of their internship.

Students with internships **within the U.S.** qualify for CPT, Curricular Practical Training (see Key Points above). This requires the student to register the internship in the Office of Education Abroad as well as in the Records Office. The form for the internship registration must be completed by ALL international students BEFORE you begin working.

The Career Center can assist students with tips to interviewing, job searching and resume writing. They also offer website resources for current internship openings.

http://www.marietta.edu/departments/Career_Center/

**Please note that internships sometimes require social security numbers. Please make an appointment with the Office of Education Abroad for more information. **