

**School of Engineering and Applied Science
University of Pennsylvania**

**Application for
Curricular Practical Training – Independent Study (CPT- IS)
(Graduate Students Only)**

Graduate students in SEAS who meet the USCIS eligibility criteria (see below) may apply for independent study (IS) academic credit for the purposes of F-1 curricular practical training (CPT).

Important Note: It is the student's responsibility to know the rules governing taking the CPT-IS. You are also responsible for knowing the procedures. This information is available at: <https://www.seas.upenn.edu/graduate/degrees/curricular-practical.php>

USCIS eligibility criteria: In order to be eligible for CPT-IS, you must have already completed one academic year (September to May) of course work full-time at Penn but have not completed your degree requirements. (Note: A student beginning his/her program in January would be able to register for CPT-IS after a second term of full time study.) If you have any questions regarding the CPT immigration status requirement, please meet with an advisor at ISSS.

Submit this completed and signed form, with your proposal attached, to the Office of Research and Academic Services, 109 Towne. After this form has been signed by the Associate Dean you will be registered for CPT-IS (EAS 897 or EAS 898).

Term Degree Expected: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy) Today's Date _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Name of Student: _____ Eight digit PID Num: _____

Email: _____ Tel Num: _____

Deg Pgm: Master's PhD Major: _____ Faculty Advisor Name: _____

CPT-IS Term (term to be registered): Fall Spring Summer Year: 20 _____

APPROVALS

CPT-IS Supervisor Approval (signature): _____ Date: _____

Print Name of Supervisor: _____ Tel: _____ Email _____

Graduate Chair Approval: _____ Date: _____

Associate Dean Approval: _____ Date: _____