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CAN I GET AN EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENT (EAD)?

Yes, as long as you fit under one of the following categories:

1) Foreign Students:

- a) F-1 Optional Practical Training in an occupation related to studies (pre-completion OPT, post-completion OPT, 17-month extension for students with a degree in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics.
- b) F-1 Off-campus employment with a qualifying international organization;
- c) F-1 Off-campus employment due to severe economic hardship.
- d) J-2 spouse or minor child of a J-1 exchange visitor.
- e) M-1 Practical Training after completion of studies.

2) Employment based Nonimmigrants:

- a) B-1 who is the personal or domestic servant of a nonimmigrant employer (B, E, F, H, I, J, L, M, O, P, R, or TN).
- b) B-1 who is the domestic servant of a U.S. citizen.
- c) B-1 who is employed by a foreign airline.
- d) Spouse of an E-1/E-2 treaty trader or investor.
- e) Spouse of an L-1 intracompany transferee.

3) Family based Nonimmigrants:

- a) K-1 fiancé(e) of a U.S. citizen or K-2 dependent.
- b) K-3 spouse of U.S. citizen or K-4 dependent.
- c) Family Unity Program.
- d) LIFE Family Unity.
- e) V-1, V-2 or V-3 nonimmigrants.

4) Applicants who have filed for Adjustment of Status:

- a) Adjustment applicant.
- b) Adjustment applicant based on continuous residence since January 1, 1972.
- c) Renewal of employment authorization document for national interest waiver physicians.

5) Dependents of employees of diplomatic missions, international organizations or NATO:

- a) Dependents of A-1 or A-2 foreign government officials.
- b) Dependents of G-1, G-3 or G-4 nonimmigrants.
- c) Dependents of NATO-1 through NATO-6.

6) Nationality categories:

- a) Citizen of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands or Palau.
- b) Deferred Enforced Departure/Extended Voluntary Departure.
- c) Temporary Protected Status (TPS).

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- d) Temporary Treatment Benefits.
- e) NACARA.
- f) Dependents of E-1 employees of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office.

7) Other categories:

- a) Asylees and refugees.
- b) N-8 or N-9 nonimmigrants.
- c) LIFE legalization applicants.
- d) T-1, T-2, T-3 or T-4 nonimmigrants.
- e) U-1, U-2, U-3, U-4 or U-5 nonimmigrants.
- f) Individual granted withholding of deportation or removal;
- g) Applicant for suspension of deportation;
- h) Individual paroled in the
- i) of public interest.
- j) Individual in deferred action status.
- k) Individual with a final order deportation.

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