OPT Application Mailing Instructions
Optional Practical Training

Mail your application with a **tracking number**.

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USCIS
PO Box 805373
Chicago, IL 60680

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G-1145, E-Notification of Application/Petition Acceptance
Attach this form to your I-175 in order to request a text message and/or email when USCIS accepts your form: https://www.uscis.gov/g-1145.

Case Status Online
Once you've received a receipt notice, you may use that receipt number to check the status of your application at https://egov.uscis.gov/casestatus/landing.do.