When and How to Reveal International Student Status

Networking Career Fair Employer Tabling

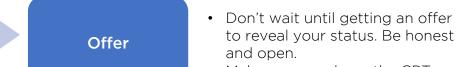
- No need to draw attention to your status when talking to potential employers
- Focus on your qualification related to the position and build relationships
- If employer asks, tell them you are legally eligible to work in the U.S. and briefly explain the CPT/OPT process



- Don't include visa status on your resume
- You may be asked to answer yes/no to current work authorization status and the need for sponsorship in the future
- Answer truthfully to save time and avoid frustration



- If asked, briefly explain the CPT/OPT and H1B application (If applies)
- Ask the employer what their policies are regarding hiring foreign nationals and if they have petitioned for H1B employees in the past (instead of "sponsored")



 Make sure you have the CPT approval or the EAD card (for OPT applicant) before you start working

Please note that your approach may be different depending on the situation and your visa status. Consult with an ISSO advisor before you plan to work. Contact the Hiatt Career Center to schedule an appointment.

