



**University at Buffalo**  
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**Office of International Education**  
Immigration Services

## **EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENT**

### **General Overview**

Foreign nationals who have submitted, or who are in the process of submitting, an Adjustment of Status Application (an application which seeks to change the person's temporary "nonimmigrant" status to permanent) are eligible to file for an Employment Authorization Document ("EAD"). The EAD, once approved, will allow the individual to work in the U.S. on the basis of the pending permanent residency application.

The EAD permits you to work in the U.S. for the period specified on the EAD (typically up to a year). You may also apply for an extension of the EAD. Due to unforeseen delays in processing, we suggest that you apply for an extension of your EAD at least four months in advance.

### **USCIS Fees**

The USCIS currently charges a \$340 filing fee. Please make the check payable to the "U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services".

### **Legal Services Fee**

To cover the costs associated with the preparation and submission of the EAD application, a legal services fee of \$100 will be charged.

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