Post-Completion OPT Timeline
Initial 12 Months

- **OPT Application Period**: Apply up to 90 days before completion date.
- **OPT Authorization Period**: Any day during 60 day grace period.
- **OPT Begins**: Any day during 60 day grace period.
- **OPT Ends**: 90 days before completion date.
- **OPT Authorization Period**: 12 months.
- **OPT Application Period**: 90 days.
- **OPT Ends**: 60 days.
- **No Work**: unless authorized for extension or change of status.
- **STEM Extension**: (if eligible).
- **Completion Date**: extension, transfer, change of status, or leave U.S.