Internship Planning for International PhD Students

Fill out CSE Internship Notification Form and submit CPT Request if the internship is within the United States

When do you plan to be away on internship? CPT must be requested for each term

Fall and/or Winter
Spring/Summer

Precandidate
Candidate
All Students

- Must be enrolled full-time in on-campus courses during the fall and/or winter terms
- CPT course may be counted in the 8 credits of required coursework
- Eligible for 1-credit tuition assistance; student must work with advisor to determine how tuition will be covered
- Internship should not be taken during student’s first summer

- Must be enrolled in Rackham’s 995 coursework
- Enrollment should look like this: 8 credits of 995 coursework and 1 credit of CPT during each term while on internship
- Student has more flexibility in being off-campus
- Up to 100% tuition assistance possible; consult with advisor to determine how tuition will be covered in the absence of tuition assistance

- Continuing international students may do an internship anywhere in the U.S. or abroad
- CPT can be done either in the preceding winter or in the S/S, depending on the course requirements and MUST be done during the S/S if the CPT is continuing from the winter term

Questions?
Contact: cse-internships@umich.edu

Please note the following:
- Must be appointed Sept. 1 - Dec. 31 or Jan. 1 - Apr. 30 in order to be eligible for GSRA and/or GSI funding and tuition coverage
- Student must be in good academic standing
- Health insurance is required
- If you were a GSRA during the academic year, then your coverage may be active through the Spring/Summer
- If student graduates in Winter, then the student must apply for OPT, rather than CPT
- Students should discuss their plans with an advisor at the International Center so as to ensure immigration compliance