CPT Quick Overview for Students and Staff

Q: As an international student on an F-1 visa, can I work or volunteer off-campus/outside Rice University during my Full-time MBA?

A: Only if the work opportunity is eligible for Curricular Practical Training (CPT), a temporary work authorization given to F-1 visa students to receive training required by a course or program.

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| Summer between 1st and 2nd year | Yes, an appropriate internship is a required component of FT MBA degree. | MGMT 500: Applied Business Experience is a required course, but you must be approved to be registered. | 1. Connect with CDO advisor to ensure your summer internship function is related to your major area of study.  
2. Request MBA program support via MBA CPT Department Form (Summer – MGMT 500).  
3. Take necessary action through OISS (which includes providing MBA program support from #2) |
| 2nd year (fall)   | Yes, if the opportunity is an integral part of established curriculum. | A full-time MBA student may be approved to register for MGMT 704: Field Study in American Business II. | 1. Connect with CDO advisor to ensure your opportunity is aligned with the MGMT 704 curriculum.  
2. Request MBA program support via MBA CPT Department Form (Fall – MGMT 704).  
3. Take necessary action through OISS (which includes providing MBA program support from #2) |
| 2nd year (winter recess) | Yes, if the opportunity is an integral part of established curriculum. | A full-time MBA student may be approved to register for MGMT 705: Field Study in American Business III. | 1. Connect with CDO advisor to ensure your opportunity is aligned with the MGMT 705 curriculum.  
2. Request MBA program support via MBA CPT Department Form (Winter Recess – MGMT 705).  
3. Take necessary action through OISS (which includes providing MBA program support from #2) |
| 2nd year (spring) | Yes, if the opportunity is an integral part of established curriculum. | A full-time MBA student may be approved to register for MGMT 705: Field Study in American Business III. | 1. Connect with CDO advisor to ensure your opportunity is aligned with the MGMT 705 curriculum.  
2. Request MBA program support via MBA CPT Department Form (Spring – MGMT 705).  
3. Take necessary action through OISS (which includes providing MBA program support from #2) |