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ECONOMIC HARDSHIP APPLICATION
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An F-1 student must be in F-1 status for at least one full academic year. In addition, the student must prove to USCIS that employment is necessary due to severe economic hardship caused by circumstances beyond his/her control that arose after obtaining F-1 status and in the U.S. for one full year. You must complete **ALL OF THE FOLLOWING** information in order for your application for Economic Hardship (EH) to be processed:

Lamar University ID#: _____ SEVIS No: N _____

Name: _____
 Last/Family First Middle

US Street Address, Apt #, City, State, Zip: _____

Birth Date: Mo Birth Day _____ Yr _____ Gender: Male Female

Country: Driver's _____ Citizenship Country: _____

License No: _____ Issued by State of: _____

Telephone No: _____ Social Security No: _____

Degree Level: Bachelors Masters Doctor PhD Field/Branch of study: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____ Current Lamar University GPA: _____

1st Semester at Lamar _____ to _____.

Have you searched and applied for on-campus employment? List each department & dates that you applied:

Are you currently employed on campus? Yes No

If yes, name of department _____ for the dates of _____ to _____

E-Mail Address - Personal : _____

My Lamar Email Address: _____@my.lamar.edu

NOTE! Your email address must be legible!!! Failure to print each letter so that it is readable may result in delaying of your EH documents being mailed to DHS-TSC!

Requesting Economic Hardship: Eligible for EH after completing 9 academic months [2 long semesters] and prior to your last semester of enrollment (20 hrs per week while school is in session; can be full-time during official school breaks – Christmas vacation, spring break, summer breaks).

Requesting EH dates: _____ to _____ 6 mos 12 mos Part Time

Have you previously been authorized by USCIS for EH? Yes No (*You must submit a copy of your EAD Card with this petition*)

If yes, list the dates _____ to _____ Part Time

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I understand that it is my responsibility to be aware of federal regulations for obtaining Economic Hardship as follows:

- 1) I must **fully** complete Form I-765.
- 2) I must be registered for required course work in the semester of graduation.
- 3) During my enrollment period, I understand that I must have maintained full time enrollment and in lawful status with DHS.
- 4) I understand that I have the option to express mail my EH application to the TSC. If I decide to do this, I must provide the International Office with a Prepaid Express U.S. Postal Services envelope along with my application packet.
- 5) I understand that, if I have worked in the United States without authorization from the United States Citizenship & Immigration Services, I may not be eligible for EH.
- 6) I understand that I must inform the International Office of my U.S. address during my EH employment period.
- 7) My address on Form I-765 is c/o the International Office, Lamar University, PO Box 10078, Beaumont, TX 77710. This address is used by request of the Department of Homeland Security. The International Office will contact me via email when it is required for me to collect any documents, including my EAD Card.
- 8) I am aware that I will be contacted at the email address that I have provided to the International Office when my EH request has been processed. In addition, after I have been contacted by email, it is my responsibility to report to the International Office to sign my SEVIS I-20 before the EH documents are filed with USCIS-TSC.
- 9) Upon receiving the SRC from the Texas Service Center (TSC), should I discover that my name is misspelled, I understand that it is my responsibility to inform the International Office so that proper procedures can be filed on my behalf.
- 10) I am aware that, if I depart the United States (US) before my EH is authorized, the application may be considered canceled and abandoned, and I will not be able to obtain permission for EH upon return to the US, if indeed I am permitted to re-enter at all.
- 11) I am aware that, if I depart the United States after I receive my EAD card, my SEVIS I-20 must be endorsed for travel for re-entry.

I certify that the information on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Student's signature

Date