Employment for Spouses, Partners, and Children

F-2 Status

Individuals in F-2 status may not work in the U.S. Please see the [F-2 Status for Spouses, Partners & Children page](https://oiss.yale.edu) for more information.

J-2 Status

J-2 visa holders (the spouses, partners, and dependent children of J-1’s) may apply to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) for permission to work in the United States. This work authorization is called an Employment Authorization Document (EAD).

**Obtaining a Work Permit in the U.S. on a J-2 Visa**

[Learn how to obtain this J-2 work permission](https://oiss.yale.edu).

Resources for Finding a Job

After obtaining an Employment Authorization Card, here are a couple of suggestions and resources for finding a job. This is not an exhaustive list as there are many types of employment you can get in New Haven.

- Need a job-seeker support group? Consider joining the [ISPY Job Hunters group](https://oiss.yale.edu).
- Do you have language skills that you'd like to put to use? consider private tutoring at a place such as [Aux 3 Pommes](https://oiss.yale.edu) or through the [Yale Center for Language Study](https://oiss.yale.edu).
- If you'd like to explore the possibility of working for Yale, check out [Yale University's Employment Portal](https://oiss.yale.edu).
- There are other employment portals for [on and off-campus work in New Haven](https://oiss.yale.edu).
- Another valuable resource for job seekers is [New Haven Works](https://oiss.yale.edu).

H-4 Status

Individuals in H-4 status may not work in the U.S.

O-3 Status

Individuals in O-3 status may not work in the U.S.