Work Permit (not valid for PDME)

- Students with Non-EU/EFTA passports require a valid working permit to do their internship in Switzerland or EU countries.
- It is the company’s responsibility to request this working permit at the proper working office of their canton /country.
- EPFL has informed all Swiss Cantons about their mandatory internship program and the delivery of such permits should present no problem for EPFL master students.
- It is recommended that students from non-EU/EFTA countries inform the companies in their motivation letter of these regulations.

Example: “As I’m a non-EU/EFTA resident, your company is required to ask for a temporary working permit. Please be advised that EPFL has informed all Cantonal working offices in Switzerland about its mandatory internship program. As I will stay registered at EPFL during this internship, and since this internship is a mandatory part of my Master education, the delivery of this document does not fall into the quota limitation of each canton and should therefore be straightforward.”