

Sea Training II (STII) FAQ:

Q: What Documents are required by Career Services for me to go on STII?

A: The following documents should be scanned in by Career Services prior to shipping out and be brought with you on board for STII: Passport, TWIC Card, Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC), USCG Medical Certification, USCG Physical, Medical Insurance Card, and any other documents that the company assigns to you. You should also make 2 copies of these documents – 1 copy can be left at home and the other copy be stored in your luggage. For any further questions regarding STII documentation, please contact any one of the Career Services representatives for assistance.

Q: Can I go on any vessel for STII?

A: In order to fulfill the U.S. Coast Guard's sea time licensing requirements. It is required that Engine cadets be placed on vessels of 4,000 horsepower or greater and that Deck cadets be placed on a minimum of 100 gross tonnage vessels for STII. If you have any questions regarding if your vessel meets these requirements, please contact the Cal Maritime USCG Licensing Department.

Q: Am I allowed to work as a deckhand on a vessel and get credit for STII?

A: You will need to be listed as a "Cadet" onboard your vessel in order to get credited sea time towards your USCG License for STII. It is crucial to check that you are listed as "Cadet" when you receive your Certificate/Letter of Discharge after departing the vessel. If you have any questions regarding this or your Certificate/Letter of Discharge, please contact the Cal Maritime USCG Licensing Department.

Q: How do I know if Career Services has received my documents?

A: You may reach out to any one of the Career Services representatives to check and see if they have received your documentation.

Q: What is the selection process for Billets for STII?

A: Cadets are placed on a ranking list based on their GPA and demerits and are then able to select a billet from a list in order of their ranking. Further details of this process are communicated to cadets during their STII meeting.

Q: What if I have a company that I know wants me to sail with them during the summer?

A: If a company has confirmed with you that they would like to host you for the summer, you will need to send a Career Services representative an email with the contact information of the

company and personnel you have been in contact with. Once received Career Services will then reach out to the company to ensure that that they will comply with the requirements for STII and then inform you once confirmed.

Q: What should I bring with me when I join my vessel?

A: A list of what to bring for STII will be provided to you by Career Services during one of the later STII meetings which include a packing list of recommended items.

Q: When I need to disembark my vessel, what should I do?

A: A few weeks prior to meeting your sea time requirements, you should notify the Captain/Purser/Responsible Officer of your intent to depart the vessel. They will be able to assist you in arranging your departure from the vessel. Most likely your travel will be arranged to fit the vessel schedule, and therefore you should be prepared to potentially not depart on the exact day your sea time requirements are met. You will also receive a Certificate/Letter of Discharge prior to departing the vessel. If the Letter of Discharge has inaccuracies, please be sure to discuss this with the captain and get it resolved prior to departing.