Photo Composition Template

Photo basics:

- Submit a color photo taken in the last 6 months. Failure to provide recent photos may result in a delay of your OPT application approval.
- Use a clear image of your face that reflects your true skin tone. Do not use filters commonly used on social media.
- Have someone else take your photos, no selfies.
- Take off your glasses for your photos.
- Use a plain white or off-white background.

Resolution, print size and quality:

- Submit a high resolution photo that is not blurry, grainy or pixelated.
- The correct size of a passport photo is:
  1. 2 x 2 inches (51 x 51mm)
  2. Heads must be between 1-13/8 inches (25-25mm) from the bottom of the chin to the top of the head
- Printed on matte or glossy photo quality paper.
- Do not digitally change the photo (except to remove red eye).
- You cannot submit a damaged photo with holes, creases or smudges.

Well composed photo examples