

Boise State International Insider

News for International Students

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International Student Services

Immigration Check-in

Check-in for all international students will be held Monday, Jan 31st thru' Friday, Feb 4th. This check-in is **required by**

U.S. Immigration to maintain your legal status as an F-1 or J-1 visa holder.

Check-in takes approximately 15 minutes to complete. You must come to the Student Diversity Center (SDC) in the Student Union Building (SUB)

between 9:30am and 4:00pm any day that week (January 31 - February 4) to fulfill this requirement.

Any student who does not attend the check-in session will be fined a \$50 fee.

NOTE: If you are a new international student and attended the orientation January 12 & 13, you are checked-in with immigration. There is no need for you to participate in this check-in session this semester. You will need to attend check in next semester.

Coming Events & Activities

Friday, January 21, 3:00pm: First planning meeting for this year's International Food, Song and Dance Festival. Meet in the Student Diversity Center.

Saturday, January 22, 9:00am: Community Service opportunity. Meet in the Hatch Ballroom to participate.

Sunday, January 30, 1:00pm: New international student orientation alternate session in the SDC. If you missed the mandatory session on the 12th & 13th, you must attend this alternate orientation to complete your immigration check-in and receive information critical to your success here at Boise State.

Monday, January 31: Deadline for filing your waiver for SHIP (Student Health Insurance Program). Remember, the waiver must be filed each semester.

Monday, January 31 - Friday, February 4: International student check-in at the Student Diversity Center, daily from 9:30am to 4:00pm. Do Not Miss This!

Friday, February 4, 7:00pm: Movie Night in the SDC. More detail later.

February 7, 8, and 11, various times: Optional Practical Training (OPT) workshops. See the detailed information on page 2 and sign up for one workshop.

International Student Association (ISA) Service Opportunity

Ready to help the Boise community this Saturday morning? Yes? Then you are kindly invited to participate in the **Service Saturday** event. It's purely for OUR community and fun too.

What? Service Saturday

When? Saturday 22 January

How much? It's FREE!!

Where to meet? In the Hatch Ballroom at 9:00am

Description: You will choose one of 8 projects relating to poverty, the environment, youth or health care issues. The projects can range from gardening in a community garden, to walking dogs, to cleaning the river.

I am looking forward to seeing you this Saturday.

Yours,

Adil Bentahar, President
International Student Association, ISA

INTERNATIONAL FOOD SONG & DANCE FESTIVAL

It is time for us to start planning the International Food Song and Dance Festival. Come to the Student Diversity Center at 3 pm on Friday, Jan 21st to help us brainstorm ideas to make this year's festival great! If you have pictures of ideas that we can use for the festival, please bring them.

From Sindy Chiu, ISA Festival Coordinator
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Quote for the week

Everything that we see is a shadow cast by that which we do not see. -- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Schedule for OPT Workshops:

If you plan to participate in Optional Practical Training (OPT) after Spring semester, or just want more information about this program, you *must* attend one of the following workshops:

- Monday, February 7th, noon - 2:00pm
- Tuesday, February 8th, 3:00 - 5:00pm
- Friday, February 11th, 9:00 - 11:00am

Workshops will be held in the Student Diversity Center in the SUB. Please call 426-3652 to reserve your spot. When you come, please bring your I-20, two passport-size photos and a check or money order (to USCIS) for \$380.00.



An Invitation from Idaho State University, Pocatello

Come join us for Africa Night 2011!

Saturday, January 22nd, beginning at 5:30pm

Come dance and celebrate the night away with traditional festival dancing used to celebrate life and what we have.

The dances include: the warrior dance, harvest dance, waka waka dance . . .

Enjoy lots of African delicacies, especially our signature peanut butter soup from Ghana .

Fashion show featuring the display of royal and traditional attire, jewelry and many more artifacts

Singing, interpretive skits, dramatic poetry and much more.

Join us in Jenson Hall, Stephens Performing Arts Center
On the Campus of Idaho State University in Pocatello, Idaho

TICKETS are \$10 at the door.

Computer for Sale: Toshiba Satellite L645D Laptop PC Computer, **\$520 (or best offer)**

Condition: Almost new (3 months)

Contact: Elijah Udeochu (208)-409 3513 or email: elijah_udeochu@yahoo.com

Key Features and Benefits: AMD Turion II Dual-Core Mobile Processor P540, 2.10GHz, 2MB L2 Cache, 4GB DDR3 1066MHz memory, 3GB memory gives you the power to handle most power hungry applications and tons of multimedia work, 320GB 5400RPM SATA hard, 10/100 Ethernet LAN; 802.11b/g/n Wi-Fi Certified

15.6" HD diagonal widescreen TruBrite TFT display

ATI Mobility Radeon HD 4250 Graphics with 256-1917MB dynamically allocated shared memory graphics

Additional Features: Built-in webcam and microphone, Digital media card reader

3 x USB 2.0 ports (2 USB + 1 eSATA/USB combo), 1 x HDMI, RGB, 1 x headphone/speaker/line-out jack, 1 x microphone-in jack, 1 x Ethernet port (RJ-45), 1 x modem port (RJ-11), 1 x DC-in jack for AC adapter, 6-cell lithium-ion battery

Software: Genuine Microsoft Windows 7 Professional 64-Bit Edition, Microsoft Office 2010 Starter (purchase of Product Key required to activate full Office 2010 suite), Norton Internet Security (30-day trial), Toshiba Online Backup (30 day trial), Toshiba Recovery Disc Creator

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