



Boise State International Insider

News for International Students

January 26, 2012

International Student Services

Coming Events & Activities

Every Wednesday, 3:30 - 5:00pm - Coffee & Conversation in the Student Diversity Center. Free refreshments!

Every Thursday, 6:00 to 7:00pm - T.E.A. Time (Thursday English Afternoons). Join us in the Writing Center (LA200) to practice your English skills.

January 26th, 6:30 to 9:30pm - China Night, in the Jordan Ballroom. *(see flyer on pg 4)*

January 30th - LAST REMINDER!! SHIP waiver deadline.

January 30th - February 3rd, 9:30am - 4:00pm – *MANDATORY* Spring Semester Immigration Check-in for returning students *(please see details below)*

January 31st thru' February 8th - Free workshop, "Starting Your Semester Off Right" *(see details below)*

Immigration Check-in Starts Monday

Check-in for all international students will be held Monday, Jan 30th thru' Friday, Feb 3rd. 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 30 thru' February 3) to fulfill this requirement.

Any student who does not attend the check-in session will be fined \$50.00.

NOTE: If you are a new international student and attended the orientation January 11 & 12, you are checked-in with immigration. There is no need for you to participate in the check-in session this semester. You will need to attend check-in next semester.

Want to Start Your Semester Off Right?

Advising and Academic Enhancement is facilitating free, 50-minute workshops filled with information on study strategies and ways to succeed in your courses at Boise State! All workshops are hands-on and individualized to each student. Workshops are capped at ten participants each session so the facilitator can get to know individual students and their personal situation.

The next workshop, Starting Your Semester Off Right, runs January 31-February 8. This workshop focuses on time management and study skills. Students will learn different ways to manage time and which strategies work best for them. Check out the various times this workshop is offered and register for one that works best for you at <http://aae.boisestate.edu/tutoring/>.

If you have questions please contact stephaniemilne@boisestate.edu, 208-426-1845, or visit the Academic and Career Services Building, Room 102.

If you have a job or scholarship, you need to know: What is GLACIER?

GLACIER is an online tax system used to determine the proper tax withholding on payments to international students. International students who receive payments from Boise State (scholarships, wages, awards, prizes or travel payments) may be asked to complete a GLACIER tax record. If you receive a request to complete a GLACIER record it is important to do this as soon as possible. The GLACIER system will send you information from the email address support@online-tax.net. If you

receive an email from this address it is important to follow up as soon as possible. Failure to complete GLACIER or follow up on requests sent from support@online-tax.net may result in too much tax being withheld from payments to you. If you have any questions about GLACIER, you may contact Suzy White at swhite@boisestate.edu or 426-2543.



Curricular Practical Training (CPT), also called an Internship, allows a student to work off-campus for a specified amount of time in a position related to his/her field of study. If you plan to do an internship as part of your academic program, you need to attend a CPT Workshop.

January 27, 4:00 to 5:00pm
February 2, 12:00 to 1:00pm

Please email Christy or Merrilou to sign up for a workshop. Be sure to indicate which session you wish to attend. Workshops will be held in the Student Diversity Center.

Optional Practical Training (OPT) is a one-year work permit that allows international students to work in their field of study after graduation. If you are graduating this semester and are interested in applying for OPT, you *must* attend an OPT Workshop.

February 6, 3:00 to 5:00pm, in the Chief Joseph Room
February 9, 3:00 to 5:00pm, in the Student Diversity Center
February 10, 10:00am to noon, in the Student Diversity Center

When attending the workshop, you must bring your I-20, visa, passport and I-94 card, plus 2 passport-size photos (head positioned directly facing the camera) and a Money Order for \$380.00 payable to CIS. **Please email Christy or Merrilou to sign up for a workshop. Be sure to indicate which session you wish to attend.**

International Student Association proudly presents

A Food-Tasting Party



It's time to showcase the international multicultural cuisine for this year's International Food, Song and Dance Festival. On that day, you will have a chance to enjoy many exotically delicious foods from around the world, here at Boise State. What's more? You will be able to choose which dishes we will feature for this year's Festival.

When: Saturday 2/18/2012, 6:30-8:30 PM
Where: Student Diversity Center

What to bring? Bring that yummy, memorable entrée that signifies your culture. We can hardly wait to find out what food you are!

Everyone is invited! See you there!



What Are You Looking For?

A car? Check this out! 2005 gray Ford Mustang for sale. Mileage is only around 109,000. The car is super clean and it runs great. V6 4.0 liter very strong. 6 disc FM radio, leather interior, 20 inch rims. Asking \$8900.

Call 208-290-0092



Looking for a job? Here are some options . . .

Are you . . .

- A good communicator?
- Open-minded and motivated?
- Friendly and approachable?
- Creative and thoughtful?
- Responsible and respectful?
- Wanting to get involved?
- Ready to impact lives?

University Housing may be looking for you!
There are several employment opportunities available, so check on BroncoJobs or go to the University Housing website for more details.



We received word that the Children's Center here at Boise State needs student employees who can work in the afternoons. Contact the Children's Center for information.

<http://childrenscenter.boisestate.edu/> or call 208-426-4404.



Weekly Jumah Meetings

Friday, January 27 th	1:00 to 1:30pm	Lookout Room
Friday, February 3 rd	1:00 to 1:30pm	Bergquist Lounge
Friday, February 10 th	2:30 to 3:15pm	Lookout Room
Friday, February 17 th	1:00 to 1:30pm	Lookout Room
Friday, February 24 th	1:00 to 1:30pm	Bergquist Lounge



A Presentation by the local FBI and Immigration Enforcement Team

All students are welcome to attend a presentation with our local FBI and Immigration officials. The main topics to be discussed will be an overview of legal rights of international students, crime statistics in Boise, immigration issues for international students, and an overview of the work of the FBI. The date and time have not yet been secured. Watch your emails and newsletter for more details to come.

Thank you to our Boise State Saudi Club for organizing this event.



CHINA NIGHT

A celebration of Chinese Culture



Enjoy Chinese Culture, Food, and Entertainment

January 26, 2012

6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

BSU Student Union, Jordan Ballroom

Admission Donations: \$2 students, \$3 all others

A Message from the Women's Center:

The Women's Center is offering a "travel scholarship" to 6-8 Boise State students who would like to attend the Power of One NASPA LGBT Leadership conference in Corvallis April 5-7. The application is on Women's Center website. Please note, applications are due February 1st. Here is the conference website link <http://nwlgbtleadership.wsu.edu/Default.asp>.

We have heard WONDERFUL feedback from the 11 students who attended last year and from folks who attended previous years. This is a wonderful opportunity.



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