



Boise State International Insider

News for International Students

November 17, 2011

International Student Services

Coming Events & Activities

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

Every Thursday, 6:00 to 7:00pm: "TEA" Time (Thursday English Afternoons), in the Boise State Writing Center. Come to the Writing Center to practice your English as we chat, play games, make friends and, of course, enjoy delightful treats!

November 19th, 4:00pm: ISS Thanksgiving Dinner. Please contact ISS to reserve your spot.

November 21st, 1:00pm: "Spice Route" shopping tour. Contact Monk Wells at ISS.

November 26th, Half-time: International Students participate in the half-time show of the Bronco's football game. **Sign up to participate.** (See pg 2)

December 2nd, 3:00 to 5:00pm: OPT Workshop in the Student Diversity Center. (Please see details below)

Thanksgiving Dinner this Saturday!!

Please join ISS for a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday, November 19th, in the Simplot Ballroom. The festivities will start at 4:00pm. This event is open to all students, family and friends. Come and enjoy the food, music and live entertainment. There is no charge, but please call 426-3652 or email internationalinfo@boisestate.edu to let us know you plan to attend.



New ISA Officers Elected

On November 11th, the elections were held for International Student Association Officers. Here are the students who will be leading ISA this academic year.

President: Adil Bentahar
Vice President: Cindy Chiu
Treasurer: Xiang Zeng (Sherry)
Secretary: Yehui Liao (Braden)
Activity Coordinator: Yu-Wen Chen
Festival Coordinator: Danh Nguyen

Congratulations!! We look forward to another successful year for ISA.

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.** This is the last opportunity to attend a workshop for this semester.

December 2, 3:00 to 5:00pm

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 Merrillou to sign up for this workshop,** which will be held in the Student Diversity Center.

International Assistant - Job Announcement

The International Student Services office is looking for an international student (or two) to join our team as an International Student Assistant for the Spring 2012 semester. Pay starts at \$8.00 per hour. We are looking for one or two assistants who can work between 10 and 20 hours per week during office hours, 8 AM- 5 PM Monday through Friday.

Duties include: Assisting the ISS staff in communicating with current and prospective Boise State international students, participation in the planning and implementation of activities and workshops for current international students, reception desk, and general office work.

Qualifications include: A minimum 2.5 GPA, strong communication and interpersonal skills, computer skills, close attention to detail, ability to quickly learn new information and ability to work in a flexible team-oriented environment. Previous campus involvement is preferable, but not required.

To apply for the position, please email, fax or deliver:

- a cover letter explaining your interest in the position
- a detailed resume
- 2 letters of recommendation. Letters can come directly from the individual writing them via email if needed.

to International Student Services (internationalinfo@boisestate.edu, fax: 334-2015) **by Monday, November 28th, by 5 pm.** Late applications or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Interviews will begin December 5th.



International Students wanted for the half time show at a Bronco football game!

International students have been invited to participate in the half time show on November 26th, when the Broncos play Wyoming. Boise State wants to highlight the diverse group of students we have from all over the world. The show will include walking out onto the football field carrying your country's flag and/or a Bronco Nation flag. You can wear traditional clothing, if you like. **If you wish to participate in this half time show, we need to put your name on the sign-up sheet, so let us know right away! Also, be sure to get your free student football ticket THIS WEEK.** They went on sale this week since next week is a vacation week.



The Women's Center is Hiring!

Applications due to the Women's Center by: 4:00 p.m., Friday, December 2

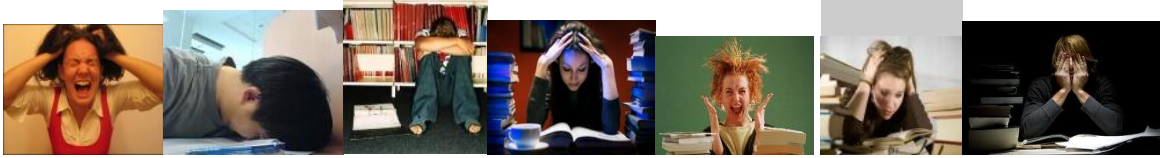
The Women's Center is currently hiring two student staff members for spring 2012! Students may apply to be either a healthy relationship or gender equity peer educator.

You will have the opportunity to:

- Be a part of a team of student leaders
- Research, design, present, and evaluate trainings
- Create and host co-sponsored programs
- Earn optional internship credit

All peer educator positions pay \$8.25 per hour. The healthy relationship peer educator will work 10 hours per week and the gender equity peer educator will work 20 hours per week. For complete job descriptions and an application visit Bronco Jobs or womenscenter.boisestate.edu!

International Student Services and World Cup of Tea Friendship Program



Pre-Finals "Soothe Your Soul Plenty" Pot-Luck

**Evening mealtime mantra
(Before the finals onslaught):**

"A good traveler has no fixed plans and is not intent upon arriving." Lao Tzu

Attire: Thoughtful, friendly, relaxed, pluralistic, campus-cozy, library lizard.

**Saturday, December 3, 2011, 6 PM
Student Diversity Center**

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

Everyone is invited! See you there!

Dear Graduating Students,

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation from Boise State!! Since you are international students, you may wear a special sash during the graduation ceremony representing your home country. The picture on the right shows students wearing the sashes.

Sashes are \$29 and you can order them in the International Learning Opportunities office. We are located in room 114 of the Academic and Career Services building (on the corner of University and Bronco Circle - east side of the SUB). There is a sign-up sheet on the front desk. We can only accept checks or money orders, or cash in the exact amount - *no change available*.



The deadline for orders is Friday, November 18th.

You can also order directly through Visionwear, but it will cost an extra \$9. If you would like to see what most of the sashes look like, check out Visionwear's website.

<http://www.visionwear.com/index.html>. Call 426-2630 if you have any questions.



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