

# Boise State International Insider

## News for International Students

March 21, 2013

International Student Services



### Coming Events & Activities

Every Tuesday, 1:30 to 2:30pm – Drop-in Career Advising and support in the Student Diversity Center (SDC)

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

March 25 - 29 – Spring Break: The ISS office will be open all week.

March 25 – ISS Spring Break trip to Gold Fork Hot Springs (*see details p. 2*)

April 1st–Continuing International Student Scholarship application due (*see details p.2*)

April 4<sup>th</sup>– Summer info sessions (*see details p.5*)

April 6<sup>th</sup>– International Student Job Search Strategies Workshop **Reserve your spot today!** (*see details p.3*)

April 11<sup>th</sup> – Sabah: Relationships Across Culture (*see details p.5*)

April 15<sup>th</sup>– Tax refund forms are due to the IRS

April 20<sup>th</sup> – ISS soccer tournament. (*more details to come*)

April 26<sup>th</sup> – Deadline to purchase country flag sashes for graduation (*see details p.5*)

## **FREE HELP WITH YOUR TAX FORMS!!!!**

The University has purchased Glacier Tax Prep software, a web based tax preparation software package specifically for nonresident taxpayers. The software will be available through your Glacier record by mid-February. You will receive an email when access becomes available. This service is free to the international taxpayers.

If you have questions about your tax returns, you will need to communicate by email with the Glacier support staff. No one at ISS is a tax preparer and will not be able to assist you.

## Do you have plans for Spring Break



**SPRING BREAK TRIP with:**  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES



**GOLD FORK HOT SPRINGS in Donnelly, ID**  
Natural hot springs are a fun way to explore nature and relax at the same time! Come enjoy a popular outdoor Idaho activity with us.

*DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR BATHING SUITS!*

*Dinner at a restaurant in Donnelly will be included!*

**MONDAY**  
**March 25**  
11:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sign up at ISS by 5 pm Thursday, March 21  
For more information contact Daria Ursol at [dariaursol@boisestate.edu](mailto:dariaursol@boisestate.edu)

Don't miss out on the fun!

## Continuing International Student Scholarships!

For those of you looking for a scholarship to waive your nonresident tuition fees for the 2013-2014 school year, the "Continuing International Student Scholarship" application is available now.

The deadline for applying is Monday, April 1, 2013. All the details regarding the scholarship and the application can be found on our website: [ISS.boisestate.edu](http://iss.boisestate.edu), or go to the following link:

<http://iss.boisestate.edu/scholarships-finances/>

## Photo of the Week:

Our Prize winners at the firstWorld cup of tea event of the year!

**If you want one of your pictures to be Photo of the Week, you can submit them to: [internationalinfo@boisestate.edu](mailto:internationalinfo@boisestate.edu)**

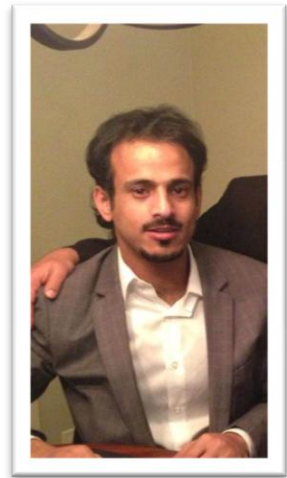


### Student Spotlight

By Alejandro Hortet

**Ibraheem Alhaider** is an international student from Saudi Arabia. He is studying civil engineering. Ibraheem has visited Malaga, Emarat, Kuwait, Syria and Lebanon. He also speaks English and Arabic. What Ibraheem likes most about Boise State is the system that is used in the library. He also enjoys the services provided to the international student, he says it is the best service he has ever known.

After graduation, Ibraheem plans on going back to his home country and get a job back home. Mohammed thinks that Americans are very friendly and that Boise State is a beautiful university. He also really likes the educational system here at Boise State University. He Likes the way the educational system works in here.



## International Student Job Search Strategies Workshop

Saturday, April 6

11am-2 pm

Lunch included

Want to create a winning resume and an effective cover letter?  
Need help preparing for a job interview?  
Looking for an internship or OPT employment?

This workshop, exclusively created for Boise State's international students, will help you gain the knowledge and skills for securing US employment or an internship. In this workshop you will:

- Learn about basic American employer expectations
- Receive guided practice for creating an effective resume and cover letter, and
- Polish and practice your interview skills

After the workshop, you will be ready to apply what you have learned. Follow-up support will be available from the Boise State Career Center.

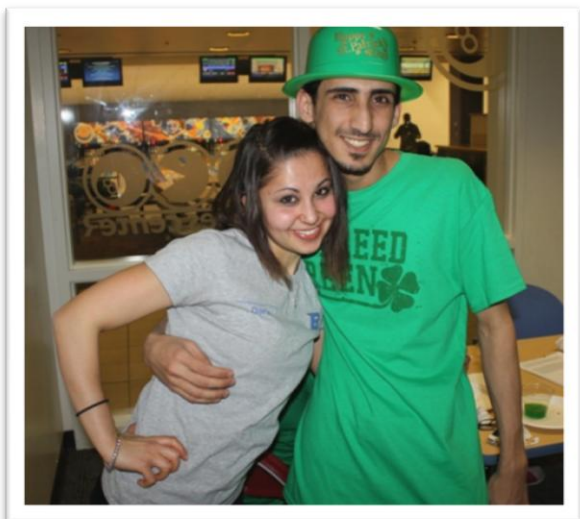
This workshop is co-facilitated by Becca Dickinson of the Career Center and Christy Babcock of ISS.

*Registration is required.* Please register for the workshop by emailing [internationalinfo@boisestate.edu](mailto:internationalinfo@boisestate.edu). Please indicate dietary restrictions (vegan or vegetarian).



# World Cup of Tea!

Our first World cup of tea event was a complete success!!! Students celebrated St. Patrick's day with food and games.



## Special Sashes for International Students!!

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation from Boise State!! Since you are an international student, you may wear a special sash during the graduation ceremony representing the country you are from.



Sashes are \$29 and you can order them in the International Learning Opportunities (ILO) office in the Career and Academic Advising building (not at ISS). ILO can only accept checks, money orders or EXACT change. The deadline for orders is April 26th at 5 pm.

You can also order directly through Vision Wear, 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/cart/index.php/sashes.html>

## Sabah: Relationships Across Cultures

Join us for a film screening of *Sabah* and a 30 minute discussion following the film. Discuss how cultural differences impact relationships among partners who come from different ethnic and cultural backgrounds. This will be on:

**Thursday, April 11**  
**6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**  
**Forum Room, SUB**

Co-sponsored by the Women Center

### STUDENTS: SUMMER INFO SESSIONS for International Students

The session is scheduled for **Thursday, April 4th from 1:30-2:30pm** in the Ah Fong Room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the sub, next to the art gallery)

This session will cover:

- Important information about Summer classes at Boise State
- How to find out if credits will transfer to Boise State, what to do for this process
- What to do if you want to take a Summer class at another university (U.S. or international)
- How to request a Financial Guarantee with SACM for another university (if the students are SACM)

You can sign up by sending us an email at [internationalinfo@boisestate.edu](mailto:internationalinfo@boisestate.edu), stopping by our front desk or giving us a call at 426-3652

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