Coming Events & Activities

Every Wednesday, 3:30 to 5:00pm - Coffee & Conversation in the Student Diversity Center

Drop-in Career Advising in the Student Diversity Center (SDC) schedule has changed! Becca Dickinson of the Career Center will be present at Coffee and Conversation each week.

November 12th – Graduate School Fair (see below)

November 13th – Do One Thing (see details p.5)

November 13th – International Student Dinner with ISI (see details p.7)

November 18th – Zines: Your experiences, your story (see details p.5)

November 18-22nd – International Education Week (IEW) (See details p.4)

November 23rd – International Thanksgiving Dinner. (See details p.3)

ISS Staff Spotlight!

Merrilou Burris

I have been at Boise State working with International Student Services since January, 2009. I really enjoy experiencing so many cultures through contact with OUR students and feel great satisfaction when we can help students achieve their educational goals. In the years before coming to Boise, I worked for an international relief and development organization (for 19 years) providing medical supplies, clothing and vegetable seed to developing nations. I had the opportunity to travel to many of the programs we supported, including visits to Cambodia, Vietnam, Honduras, Kenya and Southern Sudan, among others. I share my home with my daughter, son-in-law and two beautiful granddaughters. Life Is Good!

Graduate School Fair

Are you wondering if Graduate School is for you? Are you trying to decide on a degree program? Attend the Graduate School Fair here at Boise State and learn about the opportunities available to you. Check this link for more details

http://news.boisestate.edu/update/2013/10/24/boise-state-university-graduate-school-fair-nov-12/
IMPORTANT POLICY CHANGES AT BOISE STATE FOR YOU TO BE AWARE OF

1. Effective Spring 2014, students cannot register for the same course more than two (2) times. Graded courses and withdrawals (Ws) count as a registration. If you need to enroll in a course for a third time, you are required to seek approval from the academic advisor of your major and the chair of the department offering the course. The approval form is available at: http://registrar.boisestate.edu/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/max-course.pdf.

2. The university allows for a maximum number of six (6) repeats on a student’s official academic record. Courses you have repeated prior to Spring 2014 do not apply to the maximum. The official count of repeats begins Spring 2014.

3. The university allows for a maximum number of ten (10) Ws on a student’s academic record. Complete Withdrawals (CWs) are not included in this count. If you have withdrawn from a course prior to Spring 2014, it does not apply to the maximum. The official count of Ws begins Spring 2014.

Meet your International Adviser!

My name is Paula Mandeville and I started on September 3, 2013 as the International Advisor/Coordinator in the Advising and Academic Enhancement Department at Boise State University. My job is to provide academic advising to international students and connect them with academic support mechanisms. I come to Boise State with 17 years of higher education experience in the areas of career counseling and academic advising. I grew up in Phoenix Arizona, earned my Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration from University of Arizona, and my Master of Counseling degree from Idaho State University.

I love to travel and enjoy learning about different countries and cultures. I can be reached at 208-426-2963 or via email at paulamandeville@boisestate.edu. To schedule an advising appointment, please call 208-426-4049. I look forward to meeting each of you.
International Student Services is pleased to invite all campus community members to share a traditional Thanksgiving dinner at this popular annual event.

Simplot Ballroom, Student Union Building

Saturday, November 23, 2013
4:00–6:00 PM

To reserve a space for yourself and your family / guests call 208-426-3652 or visit iss.boisestate.edu. Please RSVP by November 21, 2013. There is no charge for this event.
International Education Week (IEW)

IEW is a nationally recognized event. Boise State will be participating with a variety of events from November 18-22. At IEW, International students will have the opportunity to represent their countries or culture. In the past, students have hosted an information booth, done presentations, shown a film from their country, etc. You can be as creative as you want with how you want to represent your country or culture!

If you are interested in participating at International Education Week this is what you need to do:

- To sign up send an email to Cindy Fernandez from ISS at internationalinfo@boisestate.edu with CINDY-IEW in the subject line.

- In this email you must state which date and time you wish to participate. The days would be from Monday November 18th to Friday November 22nd. Also, you must give detailed information on the event/presentation that you will be hosting. ISS can assist you with booking a room and with the planning of your event.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

PARTICIPATE IN THE ISS PHOTO CONTEST!

ISS would like to invite all international students to participate in our 2013 Photo Contest! Submit one photo and see if your photo is chosen as the winner! All photos will be displayed during International Education Week, November 18-22. Students and staff will submit their votes for the top photo. The photo with the most votes will be the WINNER and will be framed and permanently displayed in the Student Diversity Center. The winning photographer and photo will also be featured in the International Insider.

Photos should relate to the following categories:

1. A valuable/unforgettable/life-changing Boise State college experience
2. American culture (your favorite or most shocking discovery about American culture!)
3. Your identity (how have you changed as a result from studying in the U.S., Boise, and Boise State?)

Photos should be emailed as JPEG files to internationalinfo@boisestate.edu by November 13th at 5pm.
Do One Thing!
Wednesday, November 13
1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Atrium, SUB
Wondering what to do after Tunnel of Oppression or reading “Half the Sky”? Identify one thing you can do to make a positive impact on the world, implement what you’re learning, and network with faculty, staff and community organizations. Come to the meeting to learn more.

Zines: Your Experiences, Your Stories
Monday, November 18
4:30 - 6:00 p.m., Hatch C, SUB
Stickers! Jewels! Paint markers! This crafty workshop will guide you in the creation of zines (handmade magazines) and alternative forms of storytelling. Explore your relationships, enjoy a cup of tea, and leave with your own art project! Cosponsored with VOX, Sociology Club, and Comic Book Club.
ISS is creating a YouTube channel! We are looking for videos and pictures of YOU, the international students having fun around campus!

If you have an AWESOME video or picture you would like to share with everyone on campus, send your videos to internationalinfo@boisestate.edu

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For accommodations please contact International Student Services at (208) 426-3652.
You are invited to be part of the half time show during the Boise State VS. New Mexico football game! For more details and to sign up, please email your phone number and student ID to internationalinfo@boisestate.edu.

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Enjoy a free dinner for international students, great conversations, and games including ping-pong and billiards (pool)!

International Student Dinner

The second Wednesday of each month

This Wednesday, come meet new friends and have fun at our monthly dinner for international students. It's a great chance to enjoy meeting new people, playing games (including ping-pong and pool), and practicing English conversation over delicious food!

When: 5:30pm on Wednesday the 13th. Meet at the Student Diversity Center at 5:10pm (after Coffee and Conversation) to walk over with us!

Where: 1025 Belmont St., at the intersection of Belmont and Denver, a block south of the stadium and next to the Key Bank on Broadway.

Cost: Free! We love internationals, and want to help them connect with international and American friends. Feel free to bring friends!

Thanks!

Steve Dunne

PS. Feel free to email me with any questions at steve@isiboise.org. I'm happy to help you!

We'll have pasta with tomato and cream sauces, salad, garlic bread, and dessert!

Don't be confused:
This is a different activity from International Friendship Fridays. If you're on that list, you'll get the email for it on Monday.

If you want to get Friday's invitations, email Steve and let him know.