



# BOISE STATE INTERNATIONAL INSIDER

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January 23, 2014 **WUHU!!!**

## 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)!* Becca Dickinson of the Career Center will be present at Coffee and Conversation each week to answer any job related questions you have.

**January 29<sup>th</sup>** – Kuwaiti Cultural Peer Advisor application deadline. (See details page 2)

**February 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 7<sup>th</sup>** – **Immigration Check-in**. (See details page 2)

**February 3<sup>rd</sup>** – SHIP Waiver deadline. (See details below)

**February** – Start of the Glacier tax returns. (See details page 3)

***WELCOME BACK, RETURNING STUDENTS! WE MISSED YOU!  
WELCOME, NEW STUDENTS! WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU!***

## STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN (SHIP)



Have you filled your SPRING 2014 HEALTH INSURANCE WAIVER APPLICATION?

**THE DEADLINE IS: FEBRUARY 3, 2014**

**HEALTH INSURANCE AND BILLING**  
(208) 426-2158 • [healthservices.boisestate.edu/insurance](http://healthservices.boisestate.edu/insurance)



## Immigration Check-in Starts February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Check-in for **all** continuing international students will be held **Monday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> thru' Friday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>.**

This check-in is **required** by U.S. Immigration to maintain your legal status as an F-1 or J-1 visa holder.

This semester we will be doing check-in online. You will **NOT** be required to come to International Student Services to participate in this process. Be sure to watch your Boise State email for detailed instructions for completing the online check-in.

*Any student who does not respond to the check-in requirement by 5:00 pm on Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, will be fined \$50.00.*

*Any student who does not check-in before Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> will be fined an **additional \$50.00** (a total of \$100.00) for failure to comply with immigration requirements.*

ISS must register all students in SEVIS by February 19<sup>th</sup> in order to maintain student status.

**NOTE FOR NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:** *If you are a new international student and attended the orientation January 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, you are checked-in with immigration.*

*You do not need to participate in the check-in session this semester.*

*You will need to follow the directions for check-in for the Fall semester.*

### ATTENTION KUWAITI STUDENTS:

ISS is looking for a Kuwaiti student to serve as a Cultural Peer Advisor. This position will support ISS as we continue to develop services and programs for our growing Kuwaiti student population. An email with application details is being sent to all Kuwaiti students through your Boise State email account. If you are interested in applying for this position, please check your email for more details.



**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29 at 5pm.**

## **CPT & OPT Workshop Information**

### **CPT-Curricular Practical Training**

*If you plan to do a paid internship this semester, please attend a CPT workshop to be informed of the relevant immigration regulations and procedures.*

Friday, Jan 31, 4:30-5:30 pm

Thursday, Feb 6, 12-1 pm

### **OPT-Optional Practical Training**

*Are you graduating this semester? If so, you may want to apply for the immigration-approved work permit that allows you to seek employment in your field of study upon graduation. Attend an OPT workshop to get all the details and start the application process.*

Thursday, Feb 6, 4-5:30 pm

Friday, Feb 7, 12:30-2 pm

Friday, Feb 21, 4-5:30

PLEASE REGISTER FOR THE OPT WORKSHOP YOU WISH TO ATTEND by clicking the following link: <http://iss.boisestate.edu/forms/> and click on "OPT Workshop registration forms"



### **FREE assistance with tax return forms!**

The Glacier Tax Prep software is a web based tax preparation software package specifically for nonresident alien taxpayers that is available to international students who need to complete a US tax return. 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 do not have a GLACIER record but would like to use the software then you may request access by contacting Suzy White at [swhite@boisestate.edu](mailto:swhite@boisestate.edu).

**The official US tax returns are due on April 15<sup>th</sup>; don't put it off for the last minute!**

The Boise State International Insider is a weekly feature of International Student Services, in the Student Diversity Center.

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