U.S. Tax Season is Here (For Tax Year 2017)

Spring is tax season in the U.S. based on tax year 2017 (January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017). If you initially arrived in the US in 2018, there are no IRS requirements for you this year. All others have at least 1 tax form to complete.

IRS Deadline to submit tax form(s): April 17th, 2018

ISSS offers FREE tax prep software called Sprintax that is designed specifically for non-residents. ISSS advises you to ONLY use Sprintax, which is now available. Follow the iStart instructions to request the free code at the bottom by reviewing the tax information >> HERE <<.
ALERT: Tax Season is also Fraud Season

- ISSS has received reports of unknown individuals pretending to be IRS agents who try to collect tax payments via high pressure calls or emails.
  
  **THIS IS A SCAM!**

- If you receive such contact, ignore it or ask ISSS first. For more details, please watch this short [VIDEO](#) about tax fraud. Spread the word!

Visit the U.S. Capital – Washington, D.C.

ISSS will sponsor an exciting, low-cost day trip to Washington, D.C this Spring. Participants will visit all the major sites of the U.S. Capital and have plenty of free time.

**Dates:** May 1-4, 2018. Departure after Spring semester finals and return in time for Maymester classes.

**Estimated Cost:** $325. Includes round-trip flight and 3 nights shared hotel rooms. All the details are >> [HERE](#).

CPT/OPT Employment Workshops

- ISSS employment workshops are offered to prepare you to apply for CPT or OPT and to answer specific questions. All workshops are held in Sparks Hall, Suite 248 (See dates and times to the left).
- Workshops are MANDATORY before applying for CPT or OPT. You can attend either the CPT, OPT or both sessions.
- OPT applicants should complete the workshop only in the semester you plan to graduate.
- There is no cost. A minimum of 4 students must sign up in advance, or the session will be cancelled.
- Registration is required: Log-in to [iStart](#) and click "Session Sign-ups" to register for the in-person workshop of your choice.

More info >> [HERE](#) <<

Full-Time Enrollment Reminder

**ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS:** All international students must be properly enrolled or re-enrolled via the “registration adjustment” process if you were dropped for non-payment, by **Tuesday, February 6**\(^{th}\). Details are >> [HERE](#) <<
Fall 2018 V.I.S.A Leaders Needed!

VISA (Volunteer International Student Assistant) Leaders are needed for the Fall 2018 orientation.

- Do you need leadership experience for your résumé? Are you looking to make new friends and help out new international students at GSU?
- This is a short-term paid, on-campus position, and you don’t need CPT or OPT authorization. VISA Leaders are also provided a 3-day FUN training program.
- Application form will be available online by the end of the month. STAY TUNE!
- For more information, click >> HERE << or contact Huan Wang at hwang45@gsu.edu.

GSU Recreation Center Events

- My Bloody Valentine: Escape Room
  
  February 11, 12 pm – 4 pm at the Indian Creek Lodge, Ropes Course
  Come for an evening sitting around a bonfire and roasting marshmallows and hot dogs, experiencing a heart stopping jump off the pamper pole at the challenge course, and seeing if you can survive our escape room. Click HERE for more details.

- Valentine’s Climbing Competition
  
  February 14, 12 pm – 6 pm inside the Student Recreation Center, Climbing Wall and Bouldering Cave
  Bring a friend and enjoy this partner style climbing competition! You’ll be linked together, and challenged to climb in unison so that partners of 2 climb to the top of a route without breaking their link. Register in the Touch the Earth Rental Center in the Student Recreation Center. Click HERE for details.

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