

January 2017 NEWSLETTER | Perimeter College

Published monthly by International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS), a division of Enrollment Services, to provide reminders about immigration regulations, services, programs, and opportunities for involvement.

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- 1. In case of Drop for Non-Payment: Students who are dropped for non-payment should read and follow instructions they receive from the office of Student Accounts carefully for guidance on possibly getting reinstated back into classes. Please note: Failure to enroll full-time by the SEVIS reporting deadline for spring 2017 will result in your SEVIS record being terminated. (SEVIS reporting is done by ISSS)
- **2.** The ISSS office on Clarkston Campus has temporarily relocated. Due to renovations, ISSS on Clarkston Campus has temporarily moved to CH 1354 on the ground floor of Building H, inside the Military Outreach Center. We will keep you updated about our new office space once renovations are completed.

3. New Walk in Advising Hours at ISSS- PC

In order to align services across all ISSS offices at GSU, the ISSS offices at Perimeter College will now have walk-in advising hours. During Walk in Advising hours*, you can meet with an international student advisor without an appointment. New walk-in hours go into effect Monday, February 20, 2017.

Walk-in hours at Clarkston (CH 1354) and Dunwoody (NB 1200):

Monday & Wednesday: 9:00 am - 11:30 amMonday - Friday: 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

*Please note that services will be limited to routine inquiries outside of walk-in hours as international student advisors will not typically be available. Appointments are very limited, and on occasion walk-in hours may adjust due to advisor availability.

4. Request your new GSU Panther I-20!

All Perimeter College F-1 students are required to have a new Georgia State University I-20. Students who have requested and picked up their new GSU I-20 may disregard this notice.

If you have <u>not yet</u> requested your new GSU I-20, log-in to iStart using the steps provided below to confirm which campus you will visit to get your new I-20. If you need information about how to access iStart, please click <u>here</u>.

- Login to iStart: istart.gsu.edu
- Select F-1 Student Services from the Main Menu on the left
- Select Eform: Georgia State Perimeter College Consolidated I20 Update Request
- Complete the eForm and Submit.

If you had already requested your new GSU I-20 and have not picked it up, please do so by February 1, 2017.

5. Tax Information 2017 (For Tax Year 2016): Plan Ahead Now





ISSS will provide information about filing your U.S. Federal and State of Georgia Tax Returns this spring ahead of the **April 15th**, **2017** tax-filing deadline. What you need to know now is:

- DON'T BUY Tax Prep Software: like TurboTax, H&R Block or any others!
- Those products were not designed for "Non-Resident Alien" Tax forms.
- ISSS will provide free access to special software called "Sprintax" in February for your Federal tax return.
- Only those who earned income in 2016 have to file complete tax returns
- If you arrived in the U.S. at any time in 2017 for the first time, you have nothing to file this year.



ISSS-PC is thankful to have and welcomes the following Student Assistants to the team:

Aminat Bishi (Clarkston) Vanessa Attah (Clarkston) Daniel Turner (Dunwoody)



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