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Current Events

OPT Session

ISS is organizing a session on post-completion Optional Practical Training (OPT) on Monday, February 12 at the Barber Room from 4:30-5:30 p.m. At this session ISS will explain what OPT is, how to apply, and what the deadlines are. ISS will also explain how to have your immigration record on SEVIS transferred to the new institution if you are planning on attending graduate school.

In addition, a resume writing session led by Madhuri Vijay will be held after the OPT session. The meeting will be especially beneficial for those graduating this year, but all are welcome to attend. This is a great opportunity to have all your questions about OPT and immigration processes answered!

LI General Meeting



Please plan on attending our LI General Meeting this Friday, February 8 at 6 pm in Downer F. We will be discussing preparation for Cabaret. This meeting is open to everyone. Feel free to bring your friends. We look forward to seeing you there!

Bjorklunden Trip

Lawrence International is making a Bjorklunden trip on Feb. 15-17. The spots are already filled up, so if you cannot make it please contact an LI board member as soon as possible.

Tax Seminars

There will be two tax seminars held on Monday, February 18 and Monday, February 25. It will be held in the ITC from 6-9pm. Darin Anderson from the Payroll Office and Tim Schmidt will assist you with filing your taxes. Remember that all international students must file taxes whether they earned any income in the U.S. or not.

Please bring your passport, I-20/DS-2019 together with your tax documents. Your form W-2 or 1042-S issued by Lawrence will be brought to the session by Darin. You do not need to pick yours up beforehand.

If you are not going to attend one of the sessions, you should pick up your tax documents from the payroll office.

Upcoming Events

Cabaret

Cabaret, one of Lawrence International's biggest cultural events is coming up on April 13. The theme for Cabaret this year will be Mosaic of Cultures! If you would like to perform an act please turn in an act registration form by Feb 10. Each act can be 3-4 minutes long and can include up to 10 people. If you would like to take part in the fashion show (you do not have to represent your region only) please contact Taeya at abdelmat@lawrence.edu. If you would like to take part in an existing act or if you have any questions regarding Cabaret please contact one of the LI members. Cabaret is a great opportunity to show your talent and have a fun and unforgettable experience!

Shopping Run

The shuttle van to Wal-Mart, Woodman's, and the Fox River Mall runs from **1 - 5 pm** every **Sunday** and departs from International House. This event is open to the whole campus. There is an additional shopping run every **Wednesday** night. Below is the schedule for the Wednesday shopping shuttle:

Shuttle #1

6:00 – Plantz parking lot
6:20 - Woodman's (front door by checkouts)
6:30 - Mall (front door by food court)
6:40 - Wal-Mart (front door)
7:00 - Plantz parking lot
7:20 - Woodman's (front door by checkouts)
7:30 - Mall (front door by food court)
7:40 - Wal-Mart (front door)
8:00 - Plantz parking lot
8:20 - Woodman's (front door by checkouts)
8:30 - Mall (front door by food court)
8:40 - Wal-Mart (front door)
9:00 – Drop off students at Plantz parking lot

Shuttle #2

6:30 - Plantz parking lot
6:50 - Woodman's (front door by checkouts)
7:00 - Mall (front door by food court)

7:10 - Wal-Mart (front door)
 7:30 - Plantz parking lot
 7:50 - Woodman's (front door by checkouts)
 8:00 - Mall (front door by food court)
 8:10 - Wal-Mart (front door)
 8:30 - Plantz parking lot

8:50 - Woodman's (front door by checkouts)
 9:00 - Mall (front door by food court)
 9:10 - Wal-Mart (front door)
 9:30 - Drop off students at Plantz parking lot.

Announcements

Happy Birthday to:

Raj Shakya	Feb 2
Yang Hu	Feb 10
Ekaterina V.Pichugina	Feb 13
Julian Karim Azkoul	Feb 16

Jeong Yun Yoon Feb 17

Win Lwin Phyo Maung Feb 17

If you prefer that your birthday is not listed in the LI memo, please contact Giang Bui (X6314).

Office of International Student Services

Tim Schmidt is the coordinator of international students. His office is located on the second floor in LI House. Please feel free to stop by during office hours if you have any questions or concerns. Office hours are 9:00-12:00, 1:00-4:00 Monday through Friday. Tim can be reached at x6509 or timothy.l.schmidt@lawrence.edu.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

If you wish to be taken off the mailing list, please let Tanuja know.

