Office of International Student Services
Spring 2009
Immigration Information Sessions

The Office of International Student Services (OISS) invites all students in F-1 immigration status to attend the following Information Sessions which were planned especially for you this semester. We hope that you find these sessions beneficial to your stay in the U.S., & we look forward to seeing you this Spring!

► F-1 Student Optional Practical Training (Mandatory for all F-1 students who plan to apply for OPT this Spring)
  • Friday, February 6, 12:00 p.m.
  • Thursday, February 12, 3:00 p.m.
  • Thursday, April 23, 12:00 p.m.
  LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center Building
All F-1 students who are planning to apply for OPT this Spring must attend one of these three sessions where OPT applications will be distributed and the application process will be explained. F-1 students cannot apply for OPT this spring without first attending one of these three sessions. For students who are graduating in May, the OPT applications cannot be submitted more than 90 days prior to the semester Term End date of May 1, 2009 and must be submitted to USCIS within 60 days of your academic program completion date. Sessions will start on time, so please do not be late. Attendance will be taken.

► F-1 Student Curricular Practical Training (Mandatory for all F-1 students who plan to do a required academic internship during Spring or Summer ‘09)
  • Friday, February 19, 3:00 p.m.
  • Friday, April 17, 12:00 p.m.
  LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center Building
All F-1 students who plan to do a mandatory academic internship during the Spring or Summer ‘09 semesters are required to attend one of these two CPT sessions this spring before the OISS can process their CPT application. CPT is explained, the application process is discussed, and the CPT applications are distributed at this session. Sessions will start on time, so please do not be late. Attendance will be taken.

► Overview of Employment Rules & Options for F-1 Students
  • Friday, March 6, 12:00 p.m.
  LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center Building
Employment is considered to be the rendering of services for compensation—financial or other. Working in the U.S. without proper authorization, and/or for more hours than permitted, are serious violations of the F-1 status which can lead to severe consequences, such as deportation. All F-1 international students who are considering employment in the U.S. are encouraged to attend this session, which will cover the five types of employment options available to them as well as the rules and regulations for working in the U.S. If you are interested in working in the U.S. we look forward to seeing you at this session! Special Note: Self-employment is not permitted for F-1 students, and F-2 dependents are not permitted to work in the U.S. under any circumstances.