Office of
International Student Services (OISS)

Immigration
Information Sessions
Fall 2009

Mark your calendars for these special Immigration Information Sessions which were planned especially for our F-1 and J-1 student visa holders by the Office of International Student Services. We hope that you find these sessions beneficial to your stay in the U.S., & we look forward to seeing you this Fall!

►Maintaining Lawful F-1 Immigration Status

- Thursday, September 3, 12:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center

This session will highlight student responsibilities for maintaining lawful F-1 immigration status while in the United States. Benefits of the F-1 status and important travel procedures will also be discussed. All F-1 students are encouraged to attend this session as an important reminder of their student immigration responsibilities.

►F-1 Student Optional Practical Training (Mandatory for all F-1 students who plan to apply for OPT this Fall)

- Thursday, September 17, 12:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center
- Friday, October 9, 12:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center
- Thursday, November 12, 1:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center

All F-1 students who are planning to apply for OPT this Fall must attend one of these three sessions where OPT applications will be distributed and the application process will be explained. All other F-1 students are invited to come learn about OPT as well. For students who are graduating in December, the OPT applications must be submitted to USCIS within 60 days of your academic program completion date. The 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 the Spring, 2010 semester)

- Friday, October 16, 12:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center

All F-1 students who plan to do a mandatory academic internship during the Spring, 2010 semester are required to attend this CPT session this fall before the OISS can process their CPT application. All other F-1 students are invited to attend as well. CPT is explained, the application process is discussed, and the CPT applications are distributed at this session. The session will start on time, so please do not be late. Attendance will be taken.

►Overview of Employment Rules & Options for J-1 Students

- Thursday, November 19, 12:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center

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 J-1 students, and F-2 dependents are not permitted to work in the U.S. under any circumstances.

►Overview of Employment Rules & Options for F-1 Students

- Thursday, November 19, 1:00 p.m.
- LOCATION: Room 252, Student Center

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