

International Student & Scholar Services



international student and scholar updates

Published monthly by International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS), the International Services newsletter brings you updates on immigration rules and regulations, university services and programs, and conveys opportunities for campus and community involvement.

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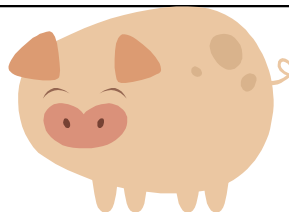
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SWINE FLU INFORMATION

The recent outbreak of swine influenza in Mexico and its spread around the world has many people worried about travel this summer. Georgia State and International Student and Scholar Services are tracking the situation closely through resources from the Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization. While we do not believe there is any cause for panic, we will stay prepared and continue to monitor the situation internationally. If you have any concerns about your travel plans or questions about what to do, please stop by the ISSS office or email us at ISSS@gsu.edu.

More information about swine flu is available at <http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu>, and you will also receive periodic email updates from the University.



Office Hours

Monday
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Friday
8:30AM—5:15 PM

Walk-In Advisement Hours

Monday
10am—12pm
1:30pm—4pm

Tuesday
1:30pm—4pm

Wednesday
10am—12pm
1:30am—4pm

Thursday
1:30pm—4pm

Friday
10am—12pm
1:30am—4pm

WORK AVAILABLE IN ISSS

The ISSS office is looking for one or two student assistants to work with us over the summer. One position will be 30 hours per week from May-August, and the other is for 40 hours per week in May and June. If you are interested, stop by the office or contact Nabila Gomes at ngomes3@gsu.edu.

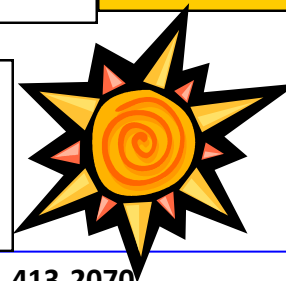
IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Now that spring semester is over, don't forget to do these two essential things:

1. Check your student account balance consistently to make sure there are no accidental charges added.
2. If you are graduating this spring and do not intend to maintain Pearce & Pearce insurance over the summer, you may be eligible for a refund! Please visit their website at www.studentinsurance.com to find out how to apply for the refund. The deadline for applying is June 10.

TUITION WAIVERS

A limited number of out-of-state tuition waivers are available for international students who are beginning their last semester or year of study and will be enrolled full-time in the term in which they receive the waiver. If you are interested in applying for the fall, the application deadline is Friday, June 12, 2009. You can pick up an application in the ISSS office.



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CONGRATULATIONS, ATHLETES!

Georgia State has some talented international athletes! Congratulations on all these accomplishments:

- Women's golf team won the 2009 Colonial Athletic Association Championship on April 18. F-1 students on the team are Sandra Maier, Charlotte Lorentzen, Anna Scott, Cathrine Madsen, and Iliska Verwey.
- Women's tennis team won the 2009 CAA Championship
- Freshman Martina Ondrackova was named Most Outstanding Performer in the 2009 CAA Women's Tennis Championship.



- Freshman Diana Nakic was named Player of the Year in women's tennis and all-CAA first team singles player.
- Martina Nitkova was named all-CAA first team singles player in women's tennis.
 - Dariana Kozmina received all-CAA second team singles honors in women's tennis for two consecutive seasons.
 - Men's soccer player Filipe Carvalho was honored for being an outstanding role model at the Peach of an Athlete Role Model banquet in March.

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MEMORIAL DAY BASH

Come to a free pool party to celebrate the summer opening of Indian Creek Pool! There will be free food, volleyball, badminton, and of course swimming for everyone.
When: Monday, May 25, 1-4pm
Where: Indian Creek Lodge
For more information, contact Nigel Harris at 404.413.1775 or visit www.gsu.edu/recreation.



YES, WE'RE OPEN!

ISSS will remain open for normal business hours throughout the summer. Feel free to stop by or call with any questions or concerns!

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS GEORGIA STATE?

Don't miss your chance to make a mark on the map! The Where in the World is Georgia State webpage needs your help to show how many countries are represented by the GSU community. Here's how it works: anytime you travel inside or outside the U.S., have a photo taken of yourself wearing a Georgia State shirt in the new location. Then submit

the photo and your comments through the website at <http://webdb.gsu.edu/dmg/world/>, and it will be posted on the university's interactive map. The goal is to show how international our campus is—what a great way to share your summer travels with GSU!