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1) Travelling Outside The U.S for Spring Break?

*****This is a reminder!!**

Please make sure to turn in your travel request form with your I-20/DS-2019 for processing at least 5 business days prior to your travel date. The travel request form is on the web page:

<http://www.wright.edu/ucie/applications/forms/UCIERequestForm-IMMIGRATION2010-12-02.pdf>



2) Coffee Hour: Get Acculturated!

During this hour, the Department of Counseling and Wellness doctoral students will lead an interactive and interesting discussion about the process of acculturation. We will like you to join in sharing your experiences of becoming accustomed to a new culture as an international student.

Where: E190 S.U (UCIE Conference Room)
When: Friday, February 17, 2012
Time: 3 - 4 PM
Host: Counseling and Wellness (Curllin Alexis & Katherine Isaza)

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3) Participate in IFA 2012

Do **YOU** want to participate in **International Friendship Affair (IFA) 2012** on Saturday, **April 21st**? This year's theme is "**Arts around the World**". If interested in participating please view the message below.

Performance – if you want to put on an artistic performance you may dance, play instruments, sing a song etc. Please contact **Nam** at ucie11@wright.edu and she will provide you with the information that you need. The performance slots are expected to be no longer than 15 minutes.

Table Display – you can help to create the most colorful and interesting features of the IFA the Table Displays. This is your opportunity to present your culture and traditions of your home country by using interactive media, posters, books or any artifacts that you may have brought from your country. You are more than welcome to talk **Belinda** (Belinda.grody@wright.edu) and we will provide you with the information that you need. The table displays need to be ready by 12:30 pm on April 17 and the displays are expected to be open until 4:30 pm.

The University Center for International Education organizes the Annual International Friendship Affair (IFA) to give the WSU and surrounding communities an opportunity to learn about the cultural heritage of WSU students. The event includes an entertainment program featuring performances from a wide variety of international groups, flag parade, table displays featuring various artifacts and a variety of door prizes donated by local ethnic restaurants.

For more information contact Nam or Joe or Dammy at nam_ucie@yahoo.com or joe_ucie@yahoo.com or dammy_ucie@yahoo.com



4) Middle East Culture Club

This new organization is called Middle East Culture Club and it is designed to promote cultural awareness about the Middle East among the Wright State community, enhance students' ability to learn the Arabic language, serve as a forum for Middle East related socio-political and economic issues, and to promote cultural diversity on campus. Attached is a link with the copy of the club's constitution if you would like to look it over.

Best wishes,

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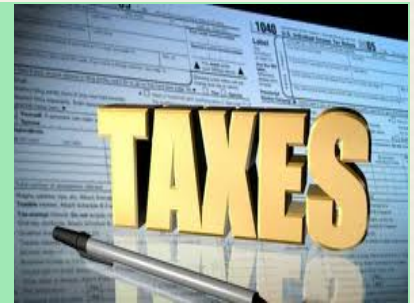
Visit this link to download the Club's constitution: <http://wtrns.fr/CcVao1an2ebxt7c>





5) TAX FACTS – FNTR Software Passwords on Sale Now!

Below is the proposed UCIE tax workshop schedule – dates are subject to change so watch for future email notices of changes. You must purchase an FNTR password before you will be eligible to sign up to attend one of the Tax Workshops below. Keep in mind however, that if you did not earn any income in 2011, you do NOT need to purchase an FNTR password. We will be offering special workshops later in March for students with no-income who are only required to complete the simple IRS Form 8843.



The passwords are \$2 each and only one password is available per WSU Student ID. Each student must purchase their own password. Friends may not pick them up for each other. Students on OPT may obtain a password through a friend if they contact Steve Lyons [steven.lyons@wright.edu].

For the tax workshops, please select a date you prefer and sign up at the UCIE front desk when you purchase your FNTR password. You can write to the UCIE Tax Information Coordinator, Jiao Li, at: ucie9@wright.edu if you have any questions about the workshops or tax requirements.

TAX WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

*Sign up for one of the above UCIE Tax Workshops. Space is limited. *You should only register for the workshop if you have received your W-2 or as a GA you have received your 1042-S.* After you sign up, you will be notified by email a confirmation of the workshop you signed up for. With this notification, you will also receive instructions on which documents to bring to the workshop.*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Home Country</u>
2/22/2012	2:00 PM	Rike 072	All Students
2/24/2012	12:30 PM	Rike 072	All Students
2/29/2012	2:00PM	Rike 072	All Students
3/2/2012	12:30 PM	Rike 072	Indian Students Only
3/7/2012	2:00 PM	Rike 072	All Students
3/9/2012	12:30 PM	Rike 072	All Students



6) Travel Around The World – A Story

This week Thursday, come and hear Mike Fanelli and his daughter's story about putting their life on hold for a year and touring around the world. Their goal: to see the wonders of the world, sample exotic foods, and to learn about different cultures and customs.



WHEN: Thursday, February 24th,
TIME: 7-9 PM
WHERE: WSU Student Union Endeavor Room
COST: FREE

7) Secrets of a Successful International Entrepreneur

Wright State alumna and creative entrepreneur **Monaqui Porter-Young** will share the successes of her career and the launch and growth of Srina, her international organic tea company.

Thursday, March 10, 2011

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

E157 Student Union

Please see attachment for more details

