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### 1) Participate and share your culture

The University Center for International Education (UCIE) organizes the Annual International Friendship Affair (IFA) Festival to give the WSU and surrounding communities an opportunity to learn more about the cultural heritage of WSU students.

**pARTicipate**  
The Cultural Advantage

The event includes an entertainment program featuring performances from a wide variety of international groups, flag parade, international fashion show, table displays featuring various artifacts, and a variety of door prizes donated by local ethnic restaurants.

Would **YOU** like to participate in the **International Friendship Affair (IFA) Festival 2013** on Saturday, **April 13th** ?



This year's theme is **"Celebrities around the World"**. If you would like to participate, please view the message below.

**Performance** – If you want to put on an artistic performance such as dancing, playing instruments, singing a song etc., please contact **Nam** at [ucie11@wright.edu](mailto: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 contact **Belinda** ([belinda.grody@wright.edu](mailto:belinda.grody@wright.edu)) and she will provide you with the information that you need. The table displays must be ready by 12:30 pm on April 13th, 2013 and the displays are expected to be open until 4:30 pm.



For more information contact Nam or Dammy at [ucie11@wright.edu](mailto:ucie11@wright.edu) or [ucie4@wright.edu](mailto:ucie4@wright.edu)



## 2) Travelling during Spring Break

Any student travelling outside the United States of America for this Spring Break 2013 (Feb 23 - Mar 3, 2013) must submit the Travel Request Form as soon as possible. Please be reminded, processing time for all immigration documents is 5 - 7 business days.



- Kimberley Brumbaugh

## 3) Next Week Coffee Hour: Valentine's Day Celebration

It is that time of the year when we celebrate Love! Come and join our unique twist for the celebration of this Valentine's Day with a treasure hunt. This classic game of clues will help you find treasure for you or your significant other on the Valentine's Day. Join us for this coffee hour in the celebration of "Agape".



**Where:** UCIE Office, E190 Student Union

**When:** Friday, February 15, 2013

**Time:** 3:00PM

**Host:** UCIE & ICE

## 4) Spring 2013 Coffee Hour Schedule

The International Cultural Exchange (ICE) is planning an event for every other Friday this semester. ICE is a student organization that sponsors events to allow international students to experience American culture, culture of other nations and have fun in an informal setting. Our upcoming events are:

**February 15th, 3PM - Valentine's Day**

**March 8th, 3PM - Counseling / Acculturation**

**March 22nd, 3PM - France**

**April 5th, 3PM - Potluck**

**April 12th, 3PM - Flag Parade Rehearsal**





## 5) Tax Tips: 1098-T, W-2, and 1042-S

### 1098-T

Some international students may receive a form in the mail from WSU called 1098-T. This form (1098-T) may be the first of many forms that some of you will receive. Most of international students will not be able to use the 1098-T form. The 1098-T form is excluded from filing purposes for nonresident aliens (i.e. F-1 students and J-1 scholars who have been in the country for 5 years or less and 2 years or less respectively). Only resident aliens for tax purposes and U.S. citizens are allowed to make use of the 1098-T for tax filing purposes.



### W-2

W-2 is the form that an employer must send to an employee and the IRS at the end of the year. The W-2 form reports an employee's annual wages and the amount of taxes withheld from his or her paycheck.

### 1042-S

1042-S is the form used to report all non-employee payments made to nonresident aliens and payments made to nonresident employees who claim exemption from federal income taxes due to a tax treaty. Types of income reported on this form are scholarships, fellowships or grants awarded to students.

A student may receive all the forms 1098-T, W-2, and 1042-S respectively or he/she may receive only one. You will be receiving the forms either electronically and by mail. Therefore it is necessary for you to ensure that your current local mailing address is accurate in WINGS EXPRESS located in the WSU WINGS portal.

#### **\*TAX WORKSHOP SCHEDULE\***

Date	Time	Room	Home Country
2/11/2013	1:00 PM	012 Library Annex	All Students
2/12/2013	12:00 PM	012 Library Annex	All Students
2/18/2013	1:00 PM	012 Library Annex	All Students
2/19/2013	12:00 PM	012 Library Annex	All Students
3/5/2013	12:00 PM	012 Library Annex	<b>Indian Students Only</b>

More workshops are available in March and April. Please stop by UCIE front desk or keep checking newsletter for the other dates. Sign up for one of the above UCIE Tax Workshops. ***You should only register for the workshop if you have received your W-2 or as a GA you have received your 1042-S.***

### Questions?

If you have any questions regarding tax please don't hesitate to email Jiao Li at [ucie9@wright.edu](mailto:ucie9@wright.edu) or visit UCIE website at <http://www.wright.edu/ucie/student/tax.html> for more information.



## 6) Ice Skating Party –Invitation

LEAP Intensive English Program at WSU has invited all WSU international students and friends to go ice skating at the Kettering Ice Rink the evening of February 15th. If you would like to go, transportation will be “on your own” and when you enter the rink area, you should tell them at the ticket window that you are with the “LEAP/WSU Group” to get the group discount. With the discount, your total bill will be \$10 which will include admission and ice-skate rental. **If you would like to go with a friend and just to watch (not skate) then you will need to pay a \$1.00 admission fee.**



UCIE office is suggesting that if you have a car and would like offer a ride (“car-pool”) to other WSU international students, you could list your name and contact information at the UCIE front desk for students who do not have a ride. You should also specify how many students your car can accommodate. Students needing a ride should also stop by UCIE to indicate their need for a ride and pick up the contact information of volunteer “car-poolers”. The suggested car-pool meeting time and place would be at **the front of the Student Union at 7:30PM on Friday, February 15th.**

**Where:** Kettering Recreation Center on 2900 Glengarry Dr., in Kettering, Ohio (about 15-minute drive from WSU).

**When:** Friday, February 15, 2013

**Time:** 8 -10 PM (Meet at the front of the Student Union for car-pooling at 7:30 PM)

**Price:** \$10 (with group discount)

**Host:** LEAP Intensive English Department