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1) 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

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the Next Generation

2) University Tobacco Use Policy Survey

University Tobacco Use Policy Survey – ENDING SOON – Friday March 8th.

All WSU faculty, staff, and students are requested to complete a short, 10 question, survey. Your response will play an important role in developing the recommendation for the future tobacco-use policy for Wright State University.



If you have not yet completed the survey it can be accessed at the following link:

https://wright.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_d4JZo1279JfsaEd

The University Tobacco Policy Task Force thanks you in advance for your participation



3) Journey Across Cultures - University of Dayton International Festival

The annual International Festival offers international cuisine, performances, a fashion show, cultural booths and an opportunity to learn about the many international cultures found at the University of Dayton. This event is sponsored by the University of Dayton International Club and the Center for International Programs.

Where: University of Dayton - Kennedy Union Ballroom

When: Saturday, March 16, 2013

Time: 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Cost: Free admission. \$4 food ticket.



4) OPT Employment Authorization Application Deadline

This message is for those students graduating this **Spring Semester**.

If you have already applied for OPT then you may ignore this message. However, this message is to inform those international student who have not yet applied, **YOU HAVE UNTIL THE END OF Spring Semester (April 30, 2013) TO APPLY FOR THE "OPT"**

Please note that application processing usually takes up to 3 months.

If you want to apply for OPT, please do so **IMMEDIATELY**—go to the web site below to prepare and submit to UCIE the OPT application: <http://www.wright.edu/ucie/student/files/optApplication.pdf>



5) 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:

March 8th, 3PM - Counseling / Acculturation

March 22nd, 3PM - France

April 5th, 3PM - Potluck

April 12th, 3PM - Flag Parade Rehearsal





6) 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.

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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 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) 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 or ucie4@wright.edu

7) Dropping Summer Classes

If you need to drop summer classes and are not able to do so due to minimum registration restrictions, you must email kimberly.brumbaugh@wright.edu.



8) Recruiting Days by Career Services

Students and alumni who are interested in networking with employers for internship, co-op, or career employment are invited to participate in the following events:

Public Service and Creative Careers Recruiting Day:

(Government, Social Action, Healthcare and Communication/Entertainment Industry)

Wednesday, March 13, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m

STEM Recruiting Day:

(Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)

Thursday, March 14, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Business Recruiting Day:

Thursday, March 14, 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Participants should register in advance in [The Wright Search](#).

A list of participating employers is available in <http://www.wright.edu/career-services/about-us/the-wright-search-for-students-and-alumni>

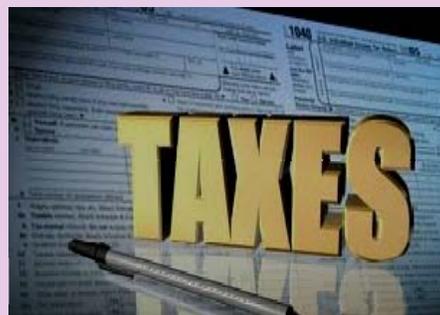
Visit the Events tab at <http://www.wright.edu/career-services/events> for more information.



9) TAX FACTS –Itemized Deductions

Nonresident students and scholars (except students from India) are not permitted to take the standard deduction. While nonresident students and scholars must itemize deductions, they are limited in the type of expenses they can deduct. Expenses that can be itemized include:

- State and local taxes
- Charitable contributions
- Casualty or theft loss
- Job expenses
- Educational costs (deductible only by a person who has already worked in the field being studied, and only if the current studies will not prepare the person for a new line of work.)



For 2012, the standard deduction for students filing Single or Married Filing Separately is **\$5,950**. The personal exemption for tax year 2012 is **\$3,800**.

The only allowable itemized deduction on Form 1040NR-EZ is the state and local income tax deduction. Form 1040NR should be filed if a student or scholar has other deductions that would reduce taxable income. **Students from India can take the standard deduction on either form.**

Students and scholars who are eligible to claim family members must file Form 1040NR.

Questions?

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