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TAX WORKSHOPS FOR INTERNATIONALS

Tax Return Information – Avoid Rumors and Get the Facts!
There has been a lot of talk lately about getting a refund of tuition on your tax return. That is simply NOT possible. There are some tuition deductions and credits, but these are ONLY available to resident taxpayers. Remember that international students in F or J status are considered nonresidents for tax purposes for the first 5 calendar years in the U.S. If you are a nonresident for tax purposes, you must file a 1040NR or 1040NR-EZ. Tuition deductions and credits are not available on those forms. DO NOT jeopardize your immigration status by filing an illegal resident tax return. If you use an online program that transmits electronically, you are automatically filing a resident tax return.

TAX WORKSHOPS

Don’t miss these helpful workshops that show you how to use special software for international students, and how to complete Oklahoma tax forms! Bring any tax forms you have received, such as W-2, 1042-S, or 1099 (NOTE: Not everyone has all these forms. Some people only have a W-2). You must know your passport number. If you have a copy of last year’s tax return, bring it with you.

Taxes are due on April 18, 2016, since April 15 is a federal holiday. Taxes forms must be in the mail (post marked) by April 18, 2016.

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Download the printable schedule [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact the ISS Office at 405-744-5459 or su-iss@okstate.edu.
OPT WORKSHOPS

It’s time again for OPT! The ISS Office will be holding a series of OPT Workshops during the Spring semester. If you are graduating this May and are planning to apply for OPT, you are strongly encourage to attend these helpful workshops. There are only two workshops left, so don’t miss them!

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When you’re ready to apply, visit the ISS Office to meet with an advisor. As always, you can contact us any time with questions – su-iss@okstate.edu or 405-744-5459.

SPRING BREAK TRAVEL

Spring Break is almost here! This year, Spring Break will be held the week of March 14 – March 18. If you are planning to travel outside the U.S. during Spring Break (like a cruise or special study-abroad class) you must get a travel signature on your I-20 or DS-2019 before you leave. Stop by the ISS Office to get a signature if you plan on traveling during Spring Break week.

If you have any questions contact us at 405-744-5459 or su-iss@okstate.edu.

COWGIRL SOFTBALL

*When:* Friday, March 4 at 4:00pm and 6:30pm  
*Where:* Cowgirl Stadium (corner of Duck St. and McElroy Rd.)  
*Admission:* $5

Come cheer on the Cowgirls in their first home games of the season – a double header against the Dartmouth College Big Green! If you can’t make it to the stadium, catch the live stream on the OSU Athletics YouTube Channel. Visit okstate.com to buy tickets, to get more info, or to see schedules for other OSU sporting events.
SUAB COMIC CON 2016

**When:** Friday March 4 at 7:00pm  
**Where:** Student Union Ballroom, room 265  
**Admission:** FREE

SUAB would like to welcome everyone to its third annual Comic Con! Wear your best character costume and visit with more than 20 Oklahoma vendors. The camaraderie of Comic Con is legendary – don’t miss out!

During Comic Con, there will be a **Trivia Night and Costume Contest** in the French Lounge (room 270, across from the Ballroom). Trivia professionals of Stillwater will be hosting an epic Comic Con-themed trivia showdown. Come test your superhero and Comic Con knowledge! If you are interested, come with your team of superheroes and join the competition. Prizes will be awarded to trivia winners and also to the person with the best costume!

Contact SUAB at **suab@okstate.edu** or 405-744-8977 for more information, or visit **suab.okstate.edu**.

[Image of Comic Con poster]

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PASEO ARTS DISTRICT GALLERY WALK

*When*: Friday, March 4 from 6:00pm – 10:00pm  
*Where*: Paseo Arts District  
*Address*: 3022 Paseo St., Oklahoma City 73103

The **Paseo Arts District First Friday Gallery Walk** is held on the first Friday and Saturday of every month. Over 60 artists in more than 17 galleries participate, all within walking distance. Four to six Art Opening Receptions on Friday night showcase the new work of the gallery/studio owners or the work of guest artists. It is a must see and do for visitors and locals alike!

Visit the Paseo Arts District’s website [here](#) for more information.

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BRADY DISTRICT ART CRAWL

*When*: Friday, March 4 from 6:00pm – 9:00pm  
*Where*: Brady District  
*Address*: 7 E Brady St., Tulsa 74103

This year-round monthly event features all of the galleries, studios and museums as well as the part-time galleries in various shops opening their doors to show art. **The Art Crawl** is held on the first Friday of the month and is a venue for local artists are given an opportunity to display and sell their work. Besides the mini-galleries being open, the established museums and galleries offer free admission and many shops stay open late. During any given Art Crawl, visitors can expect visual art, performances and maybe a few fireworks! Each venue offers something different and creative, a true hallmark of the Brady Arts District.

Visit [thebradyartsdistrict.com](http://thebradyartsdistrict.com) for more information.
TULSA FLEA MARKET

When: Saturday, March 5 from 8:00am – 4:00pm
Where: Super Duty Arena at Expo Square
Address: 4145 E 21st St., Tulsa 74112
Admission: FREE

Come out to Expo Square this weekend for the Tulsa Flea Market! Dozens of vendors will be on site selling a variety of goods such as plants, vinyl records, antiques, collectibles, and more! Only cash is accepted, but there is an ATM on site.

Visit tulsafleamarket.net for more information, or contact the Flea Market at 918-744-1386 or tulsafleamarket@cox.net.

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NATUREWORKS ART SHOW & SALE

When: Saturday, March 5 – Sunday, March 6
Where: Renaissance Tulsa Hotel & Convention Center
Address: 6808 S 107th E Ave., Tulsa 74133
Admission: $5 for two-day pass

NatureWorks, Inc. cherishes wildlife and shares its values with others. This non-profit organization assists in the development and conservation of wildlife preserves, introduces wildlife into new habitats, and provides education opportunities for adults and children on the values of sharing our homeland with wildlife. NatureWorks originated and resides exclusively in Tulsa, OK, and all management and activities are provided by volunteers. The Art Show & Sale is a great way to support NatureWorks and get beautiful, one-of-a-kind art work!

Visit natureworks.org/artshow for more information and to see a list of artists exhibiting at this year’s show.

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OBJECTS AND MEMORY: DOCUMENTARY FILM & DISCUSSION

*When:* Monday, March 7 from 5:00pm – 7:00pm  
*Where:* 102 Classroom Building  
*Admission:* FREE

The Departments of Art, History, and American Studies, and the College of Arts & Sciences is proud to present the documentary film *Objects and Memory*, a film by Jonathan Fein. *Objects and Memory* is a documentary film that tells the stories of people driven to collect and preserve meaningful objects in the wake of momentous events, such as 9/11, the Oklahoma City bombing, and the Vietnam War. The film was awarded the 2010 American Association for State and Local History Award of Merit.

The film will be shown from 5:00pm – 6:00pm in 102 Classroom Building. From 6:00pm – 7:00pm following the film will be a panel discussion with Bill Bryans (History Dept.), Chris Ramsay (Art Dept.), Stacey Takacs (American Studies Dept.), Helen Stiefmiller (OKC Memorial Museum), and Jonathan Fein (Filmmaker). This event is FREE and open to the public.

Questions? Contact Rebecca Brienen, Art Department Head, at rebecca.brienen@okstate.edu or 405-744-6016.
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS

When: Tuesday, March 8 – Wednesday, March 9

The OSU Student Government Association (SGA) is holding elections next week! SGA Presidential / Vice Presidential Elections will take place on Tuesday, March 8 and Wednesday, March 9 from 8:00am – 5:00pm. Individuals can vote online by going to sga.okstate.edu. Every enrolled OSU Stillwater student is eligible to vote as an elector of the living group in which they are entitled to vote. The candidates for President and Vice President this year are:

- Dillon Johnson (Afton, OK) and Ridge Howell (Checotah, OK)
- Andrew Steadle (Bixby, OK) and Solmaz Bastani (Tehran, Iran)

For more information contact SGA at sga@okstate.edu or 405-744-6500.

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TUESDAY TUNES KARAOKE

When: Tuesday, March 8 from 11:00am – 1:00pm

Where: Cowboy Underground (Student Union Basement)

Come to the Cowboy Underground for karaoke! SUAB is happy to bring Tuesday Tunes to the Student Union. Students will be able to karaoke to their favorite songs as they eat lunch and have fun with their friends every Tuesday (except March 15) until the end of the semester!

Contact SUAB with any questions – suab@okstate.edu or 405-744-8977.

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WAR REDEFINED SCREENING

When: Tuesday, March 8 at 5:00pm
Where: 201 Agricultural Hall
Admission: FREE

The Women's Programming Advisory Council will be showing a screening of War Redefined, and segment from the PBS Series Women, War & Peace, in recognition of International Women’s Day. Challenge the conventional wisdom that war and peace are men’s domains through interviews with leading thinkers, Secretaries of State, and seasoned survivors of war and peace-making.
GIRL RISING DOCUMENTARY

*When:* Tuesday, March 8 at 5:30pm  
*Where:* 204G Wes Watkins Center  
*Admission:* FREE

In recognition of International Women’s Day, the Student Association of Global Affairs (SAGA) will be showing *Girl Rising*, the innovative documentary at the heart of the campaign to educate girls and change the world. An open discussion will follow the film. Drinks and snacks will be provided! In order to provide enough drinks and snacks, please RSVP on SAGA’s Facebook page if you plan to attend.

**TUESDAY EVENING GARDENING SERIES**

*When:* Tuesday, March 8 from 6:00pm – 7:30pm  
*Where:* OSU Botanic Garden  
*Address:* 3425 W Virginia Ave. ([map](#))

Come out to the OSU Botanic Garden on the second Tuesday of each month for a variety of gardening programs. “Gardening for Birds and Beekeeping” will be the topic for the evening, with a hands-on activity of starting seeds. The program is FREE and open to all! In order for the Botanic Garden to be prepared for the evening’s activities, please contact Keith Reed at the Payne County Extension Office if you plan to attend – keith.reed@okstate.edu or 405-747-8320.

Visit the Botanic Garden’s [website](#) for more information or to see a list of upcoming events.
OBJECTS AND MEMORY: ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

When: Tuesday, March 8 at 7:30pm  
Where: 170 Architecture Building  
Admission: FREE

Producers/Director Jonathan Fein will present a lecture based on his acclaimed PBS documentary film Objects and Memory. Using video segments, Fein will explore how otherwise ordinary things become transformed into precious conveyers of experience, emotion, and identity. This entertaining and stimulating presentation challenges the audience to question what is taken for granted and what we value most. The lecture is FREE and open to the public!

For more information contact Rebecca Brienen at rebecca.brienen@okstate.edu or 405-744-6016.

HYUNSOON WHANG PIANO RECITAL

When: Tuesday, March 8 at 7:30pm  
Where: Seretean Center Concert Hall  
Admission: $8 General Admission; $6 Students

Praised as "the kind of player who appears to immerse her entire being in the music," and as one who has "always delivered with grace and beauty," Dr. Hyunsoon Whang holds the McMahon Endowed Chair in Music at Cameron University in Lawton, OK.

Tickets for this performance may be purchased at the box office one hour before the performance.

For more information contact Dr. Thomas Lanners at thomas.lanners@okstate.edu or 405-744-8994.
**DR. BENNET OMALU**

*When:* Wednesday, March 9 at 7:00pm  
*Where:* Wes Watkins Center  
*Admission:* FREE

The OSU Speakers Board is proud to host Nigerian-born Dr. Bennet Omalu at the Wes Watkins Center next Wednesday! Dr. Omalu, a renowned forensic neuropathologist, is known for the first discovery of chronic traumatic encephalopathy. After discovering this football-related brain trauma in a professional player, he was determined to spread awareness. Dr. Omalu’s work has changed the rules of safety for American football and is the subject of the movie “Concussion”. Admission is FREE and open to the public!

Contact the Student Government Association with any questions – sga@okstate.edu or 405-744-6500.

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COWGIRLS EQUESTRIAN

When: Friday, March 11 at 10:00am  
Where: Totusek Arena  
Address: 2720 W McElroy Rd.  
Admission: FREE

Come support the Cowgirls Equestrian Team as they finish their winning season in a final game against the Auburn Tigers! Admission is FREE! Visit okstate.com to get more info or to see schedules for other OSU sporting events.

LIBRARY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Applications are now being accepted for the OSU Library Ambassador Program! The OSU Library Student Ambassadors represent the student face of the library by supporting our events and programming and by contributing to increased library engagement with the campus community. Ambassadors will gain valuable experience working with library staff and faculty, representing the library as professional, knowledgeable and courteous advocates for our services, spaces and resources. OSU Library Student Ambassadors will be selected for an initial one-year term. Terms will begin in early August, the exact date to be determined by the program director, but there will be an initial spring meeting to coordinate planning for the fall semester. Employment as an ambassador during the summer is a possibility. The application period will close on March 20, 2016.

For more information, eligibility requirements, or to apply for the program, visit the Library’s website.

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BREAKFAST WITH THE BUNNY AT TULSA ZOO

When: Saturday, March 26 at 9:00am
Where: Chapman Event Lodge at Tulsa Zoo
Address: 6421 E. 36th St N., Tulsa 74115
Admission: $25 (children under 3 yrs. old – $5)

Celebrate spring at the Zoo during Breakfast with the Bunny! This special event will take place at 9:00am on Saturday, March 26. You are invited to enjoy a scrumptious breakfast, an up-close animal encounter, and most importantly, meet the Easter Bunny! Cost of registration includes:

- A full hot breakfast buffet, served at 9:15 am (including eggs, pastries, fruit, coffee, tea, milk, and more!)
- A craft project to create animal enrichment for our African painted dogs and southern white rhinos
- Photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny
- Animal encounters
- Unlimited train and carousel rides

Space is limited, so register today! Visit the Tulsa Zoo website for more information about the event, including full breakfast menu, or to buy tickets. Or contact the Zoo at awatson@tulsazoo.org or 918-669-6634.
2016 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AWARENESS DAY

When: Monday, April 4 from 9:00am – 12:30pm  
Where: Oklahoma State Capitol  
Address: 2300 N Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City 73105

The International Student Awareness Day Committee and the Oklahoma Governor’s International Team would like to invite currently enrolled international students to attend the International Student Awareness Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol! The event will feature free booths, entertainment, and the Official Oklahoma State meal. Participants will have the opportunity to meet with other international students and network with state officials, Honorary Consuls, and university and business representatives. Students must bring a photo ID and wear a nametag that includes the name of their University.

You must register by Friday, April 1 in order to attend this event! Registration forms must be submitted by email to intlstudentday@okhouse.gov. For a registration form, please contact Tiffany Elcyzyn at 405-557-7402 or tiffany.elcyzyn@okhouse.gov.

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