Living and Lifestyle

In this week’s newsletter, our office is highlighting international student living and lifestyle. See information below about housing, both on and off-campus, as well as upcoming workshops and social events!

On-Campus Housing

Student Housing is now accepting housing applications for current undergraduate and graduate students who want to live on-campus during the 2022-2023 academic year. The continuing student housing sign-up deadline is Mar. 1, 2022. Please note that continuing students are eligible to participate in room selection if they apply by the deadline, but are not guaranteed a bed with the exception of the rising second-year students that are part of the two-year housing guarantee. It’s strongly encouraged that all continuing students view the Continuing Students web page as well as the Contracts and Documents web page to view the housing contracts associated with the application. Learn more about Student Housing »

Off-Campus Living

If you are interested in renting an apartment in the Bay Area, the Office for Off-Campus Living (OCL) offers resources to assist you in your search and planning. You can review rental listings on the USF rental website or search these additional rental websites. Their office has also prepared some helpful tips for living off-campus during COVID-19. Keep in mind that the rental market in San Francisco has become more available for student rentals in the past year so this might be a good option for you for the spring semester. Learn more about OCL »

Our student staff SF picks!

Speaking of living in the Bay Area, we have compiled a list of ISSS student staff members’ favorite SF spots! Check out some of their favorite restaurants to eat at and activities to do in San Francisco!

- Pop by Tastebuds for mid-morning brunch
- Play a round of mini-golf at Urban Putt
- Eat dinner at Arabian Nights in the Mission District
- Visit Salesforce Park for a free fitness class
- Explore the shops and restaurants in Japantown
- Escape to a unique urban oasis at the San Francisco Botanical Garden
- Stop by Stella Pastry for some Italian baked goods

H1-B Workshop

Are you interested in learning about your options to remain in the U.S. after you complete your studies? At this workshop, a local immigration attorney will present information on employment options for F-1 students after the completion of their programs. The workshop will take place via Zoom on Thursday, Mar. 10 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Register for the event »

Cafe International

Cafe International is a community space for international students to make friends and learn to live in the multicultural USF campus. Come to Cafe International to enjoy a stress-free coffee break and in a relaxing environment to help you recharge. The next event will take place on Wednesday, Mar. 2 from 2-6 p.m. in UC 411/412, Intercultural Center. Registration not required. Learn more about the Cultural Centers »

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Requesting a Document from ISSS?

If you are requesting an immigration document or letter from our office, remember that we request ten business days to process requests. Make sure you plan accordingly so you have enough time to receive your document before you need it. You can also make some document requests through online submission.

Adviser Appointments and Workshops

Appointments can be made online. Please visit the ISSS website to schedule an appointment. Appointments are still booked in 30-minute increments.

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