



WEEKLY UPDATE – March 28

Tax Filing for International Students

This week's newsletter includes information to remind you about filing taxes as an international student. As always, if you have any general questions, you can contact our office by **chat**, **phone**, or **email**. If you have specific immigration questions, you can also **make an appointment with your ISSS adviser online**.

Filing Taxes

It's important to be aware that, as a non-resident student in the US, you are legally required to file a tax return if you received US income during 2021 (Jan. 1, 2021-Dec. 31, 2021). Even if you didn't work or receive income in the US in 2021, you're still obliged to file a Form-8843 with the IRS. USF has arranged free access to **Sprintax Tax**



Preparation for you. Sprintax will guide you through the tax preparation process, arrange the necessary documents, and check if you're due a tax refund or if you owe taxes. On the **ISSS Tax web page** you will find more information about:

- How to determine if you are a resident or non-resident for tax purposes
- What tax forms you may receive and when you will get them
- How to use the Sprintax software to file your tax return or Form-8843 if you had no income

Tax Workshops

Both Sprintax and ISSS will offer tax workshops to help you understand your U.S. tax filing requirements for non-residents. The ISSS workshop will take place this **Thursday, March 31 from 11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.** and will cover taxable scholarships, US tax treaties, Social Security Number (SSN), and Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) application procedures. Sprintax workshops will take place over the course of the semester and will cover: an overview of tax for nonresident students and scholars, who must file a 2021 US tax return, what income forms students/scholars may receive, and forms that need to be completed and sent to the IRS. You can **view the full list of workshop dates online** and **register for the ISSS tax workshop »**



Full-Time Enrollment

As a reminder, F-1 students must be enrolled full-time, unless approved by ISSS for a reduced course load. Full-time status for undergraduate students is 12 or more units and full-time status for graduate students is six or more units. If you have questions about dropping or withdrawing from a course and are unsure of how it would affect your status, please email ISSS. **See the full academic calendar »**



Start of Ramadan

For all of the members of the USF community who celebrate, our office wishes a warm welcome to the month of Ramadan. As the month of Ramadan starts, may the crescent-shaped moon brighten your path toward enlightenment and fill your hearts with peace, harmony, and joy.



ByteDance Campus Recruitment

ByteDance, a large technology company that developed video-sharing social networking services, is hosting information sessions for international students interested in employment. The session will take place on **Monday, March 28 from 7–8 p.m.** Students can hear from current employees about suitable positions for international students and what a career path might look like with the company. **Sign up to attend »**



Time for Tai Chi

Enjoy meeting others as you experience the art of Tai Chi, a complete mind-body workout that offers helpful ways to achieve mental and physical relaxation. This workshop will take place on **Tuesday, March 29 from 11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.** in Kalmanovitz Hall — Welch Field. It will be led by San Francisco Tai Chi Master Dr. Mike J. Ng of the Tai Chi and Bagua Institute. This event is free and open to USF students, faculty, and staff. Registration is required. Participants should wear comfortable clothing and bring water to keep hydrated. **Sign up to attend »**

ISSS OFFICE RESOURCES

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 make 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 15-minute increments.

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