

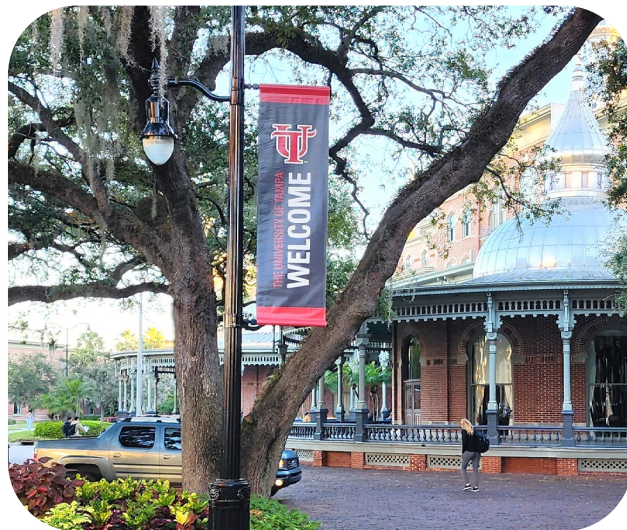
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INTERNAL NEWSLETTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA

Welcome Internationals!!

The University of Tampa has welcomed almost 130 new international students from 37 different nationalities for this Spring 23 semester. They will be joining our +500 international students currently studying at UT.

At IPO we want to reiterate our welcome to you all, and remind you that we are here to help you in this wonderful but also challenging time of your lives.



ISSS PORTAL

Among the numerous requests we have available for you in the Request & Document Center, the Official Letter is one of the least used.

We can issue several Official Letters: An Invitation Letter for Graduation, when your immediate family needs a visa to come to the US and be with you during that special occasion. Or if you live on-campus and need a Proof of Residence. Or if you are renewing your visa in a very tight timeframe, we can write a letter of support to help expedite the process.

If you didn't know, now you know!



Official Letter

ISSS January & February Events



- **January 12 & 13:** New International Students Orientation
- **January 18 :** CPT Workshop (with Career Services)
- **January 24:** On-Campus Employment and OPT Workshop (with Student Employment)
- **February 10-12:** Florida International Leadership Conference.



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FLORIDA HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

It is very convenient for international students to have a Driver License or a State ID, that they can carry as a form of ID to keep their passport in a safe place. But the process of getting it can be difficult and stressful.

The Florida DMV requires a Social Security Number for this applications, but in case you don't have one, you will need a Letter of Ineligibility for a SSN, that cannot be issued by anybody else, but the Social Security Administration.

It is very important that you request this letter and **not an SSN Denial Letter** from the SSA or your application can be void or delayed.

As a **nonresident in the US**, you're legally required to file a tax return if you received US income or just attended school during 2022 by the **18 April 2023 deadline**.

And **even if you didn't work or receive income** in the US, you're still obliged to file a **Form 8843** with the IRS.

University of Tampa has arranged **access** to **Sprintax** for you. **Sprintax** will guide you through the tax preparation process, arrange the necessary documents and check if you're due a tax refund.

Expect more details sent to your spartans email.

IPO staff and the University of Tampa are not permitted nor qualified to assist any student with any IRS tax form preparation or tax-related questions. U.S. and state income tax laws are complex and each individual's situation is different. Any questions or concerns should be directed to [Sprintax](#), a qualified tax specialist or CPA firm.

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GOOD NEWS!!

Walk-In Hours Are Back!!

Now you can stop by our office from **Monday through Friday from 10:30AM to 12PM** to talk to an advisor for less than 20 minutes with no previous appointment.

internationals newsletter welcomes any contribution from international students. If you want to share your writing talent about a topic of interest with all international spartans, please reach out to our office.



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