

NYUOISS Dateline

Office for International Students and Scholars

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Announcements

OISS Summer Walk-In Advising Hours: Beginning Tuesday, June 1 walk-in advising hours are **Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Regular walk-in hours resume Tuesday, September 7.

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PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Home: A Video Contest for International Students and Scholars

Submission deadline: September 8

You're invited to submit a 5-minute video for inclusion in the first ever video project by the OISS, "Home." "Home" will be a compilation of short videos made by you which will depict aspects of your life growing up and living in your home countries. The best eight videos will be selected and edited together into one film. The culminating event will be a viewing of the piece plus a post question and answer session with filmmakers and audience during the International Education Week (IEW), November 15-19. All videos, winners or not, will be made available for viewing on the OISS website. For contest and submission details, please click [here](#).

IMMIGRATION MATTERS

Register Now for the Fall 2010 Semester

Fall registration for all continuing students is now available. It is beneficial to plan now for the fall semester. You must have the following entered into your ALBERT record by the start of the fall semester:

1. Full time registration [at least 12 credits]
 - OR full time equivalency [read your school's full-time equivalency policy and speak to your academic advisor or director of graduate studies; make sure your ALBERT record is properly coded]
 - OR OISS Part Time Enrollment [PTE] approval

<http://www.nyu.edu/life/student-life/international-students-and-scholars/legal-matters/obtaining-and-maintaining-status-/part-time-enrollment-approval.html>

2. Your updated local [U.S. residential] and home country addresses and telephone numbers

May Completion Date and On-Campus Employment

F-1 and J-1 students who are completing their programs by May 2010 must end any/all on-campus job(s) by the end date listed on the I-20/DS-2019. This is based on government regulations. Be sure to notify your supervisor accordingly.

May Completion Date and Continuation of NYU Health Insurance

Students who are completing degrees May 2010 and have applied for the F-1 OPT or the J-1 AT are eligible to apply for an extension of the NYU Health Insurance. If you wish to apply first visit the OISS during walk-in hours to obtain the OPT/AT letter from the OISS. Second, bring the OISS letter to Student Health Insurance Services (726 Broadway, Suite 346) to apply. Deadline to apply is August 31.

Summer Travel?

Review your I-20 or DS-2019 to see if you need a new travel signature. If you are not sure, review the mandatory travel workshop at www.nyu.edu/life/student-life/international-students-and-scholars/legal-matters/workshops.html. Bring your passport, I-94 and I-20 or DS-2019 to the OISS walk-in hours for a travel signature. Apply for a new document if any information has changed or if you need an extension to study. Note that you must obtain a new I-20 or DS-2019 before your current document expires.

Visa Expiration

Many students get confused about the role of the visa. The visa is the stamp issued by the U.S. Consulate for entry purposes to the U.S. [except for Canadian citizens]. The visa does NOT control how long you stay in the U.S. However, the visa stamp must be valid (or a new one obtained) if you decide to travel outside the U.S. and need to re-enter. For more information on the visa stamp and how to obtain a new one, attend the mandatory on-line travel workshop at www.nyu.edu/life/student-life/international-students-and-scholars/legal-matters/workshops.html.

Will You Be at the NYC NYU Campus This Fall?

If you plan to take a leave of absence or study or research outside the U.S., meet with an OISS advisor before finalizing your plans. It is important to understand what steps you must take to comply with government regulations. Check the Announcements section of the OISS website for walk-in advising hours here: www.nyu.edu/life/student-life/international-students-and-scholars.html. Read details on study or research abroad here: <http://www.nyu.edu/life/student-life/international-students-and-scholars/legal-matters/obtaining-and-maintaining-status-/study-and-research-abroad.html>.

Completing Studies this Spring?

If you are finishing your NYU program this spring and intend to return home, be aware that as an F-1 student you have a 60 day "grace period" to depart following the completion date on your I-20 and as a J-1 student you have a 30 day "grace period" to depart.

Fall 2010 Employment

Are you finishing your program this summer and want to apply for Optional Practical Training for the fall? Or, are you enrolled this fall and want to work part-time on optional practical training? Find out how by attending the required OISS workshop, located at www.nyu.edu/life/student-life/international-students-and-scholars/legal-matters/workshops.html

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Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Summer Walk-In Hours (begin Tues, June 1): Mon, Tues, Thurs 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Academic Year Walk-In Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Nearest Subway: West 4th Street station, A/C/E/F/V/Q trains, www.mta.info

NYU Interactive Map: www.nyu.edu/map/virtual.nyu