May 2, 2024

INTERNATIONAL
STUDENT NEWS

Important Updates from UCR
International Students and Scholars

TRAVEL REMINDERS

Travel Reminders
Traveling? If you are traveling during summer vacation, please remember you need an updated travel signature on your I-20! Travel signatures are good for 12 months, but we recommend getting an updated one if yours is more than six months old. You can find more information on travel on our website, and access the travel signature request form here.

Check your I-20/DS-2019 end date! If your I-20 or DS-2019 ends soon, make sure to request an extension at least two weeks prior to the end date. You can do this by filling out the form here for I-20s and here for DS-2019s. You will need your advisor’s approval for this form, so make sure you start this process as soon as possible to give enough time to complete the request.

UPDATE RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

U.S. Address | Have You Moved?
The U.S. government requires that F-1 & J-1 students report any residential address change. If you’ve changed your residence address since last quarter it is time to update
your ISS Portal with your U.S. Local Address. Please take a moment to log in, review and update your address and/or emergency contact information. You may see ‘required documents’ however this is only required if you are a new student starting Spring 2024 or returning from a leave of absence.

WORKSHOPS

OPT AND CPT WORKSHOPS
Click below to RSVP for our OPT and CPT workshops.

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<td>OPT Workshop</td>
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<td>CPT Workshop</td>
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<td>STEM OPT Extension Workshop</td>
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FIRST DESTINATION STORY

First Destination Story

As we get closer to wrapping-up the 2023-2024 academic year, the Career Center is committed to collecting information regarding the Class of 2023 post-graduation plans. In an effort to increase our response rate campus-wide to the First Destination Survey, we invite you to participate in The Career Center’s Spring Marketing campaign between May 1 – July 1, 2024, promoting the First Destination Survey for Fall 2023 – Summer 2024 graduates. This year’s survey will include a grand
raffle prize for respondents - *2 free Breeze Airways tickets sponsored by San Bernardino International Airport.*

Here are some ways you can support:

- Feature the First Destination Survey link as an announcement on your course Canvas homepage.
- Add a First Destination Survey slide to your presentations to graduating students.
- Feature the First Destination Survey with our “Your Story Matters” messaging on your Social Media pages.
- Feature the First Destination Survey with our “Your Story Matters” slider and/or messaging on your website.
- Use one of our Zoom background images in your virtual student appointments and encourage students to scan the QR code to fill out the survey.
- Post a First Destination Survey 11x17 poster (up to 4) in your office in a highly student-trafficked area.
- Place First Destination Survey 4x6 flyers in your lobby area in a highly student-trafficked area.

If you are a student from the Class of 2024, please share with us if you have found your next step by emailing us.

Please access our marketing resources using the links below:

- First Destination Survey Marketing Toolkit
- First Destination Survey Marketing Assets
- First Destination Survey Alumni Videos
- First Destination Survey direct link for students: https://careers.ucr.edu/destination *

*Please note that Summer 2023 graduates will not have access to the survey until June 1. Please have any questions directed to abhilasha.sachdeva@ucr.edu should any access issues arise.*
Grad Social Event
Join us for a Grad Social event to treat yourself to some cake, refreshments, and cupcakes! This is a chance for any students graduating this academic year to celebrate their accomplishments and socialize with other students.
**Date:** May 24th  
**Time:** 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
**Location:** Tartan Tweed Room (1st floor of the Student Services Building)

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GRADUATE WRITING SERIES
Join CSP (Chicano Student Programs) for a weekly writing series to support your writing goals and advance your writing projects! Resources will be shared throughout the quarter. Food will be provided.
**Every Thursday till June 6th from 10 am-2 pm at HUB 268.**
ISS FORMS AND GUIDES

Did you know that you can find essential forms, guides, and information about maintaining your status, travel, and employment on our website? [international.ucr.edu/students]

- Need a Form?
- Learn about F and J requirements
- Travel and Dependents
- Employment and Taxes

Contact Us
There are several ways you can reach our team. Our staff works Monday-Friday, from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM (closed from 12:00 - 1:00 PM for lunch).

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Thank you from all of us in International Affairs!
As a reminder, the International Student News is an email for international students sent monthly. You will find important information from our office, such as:
- notices from the U.S. government
- reminders to ensure that you stay in status
- UCR campus updates and cultural event information

Please read the newsletter carefully. If you have any questions, please email our office at internationalstudents@ucr.edu.