Announcements

The Office of Admissions is looking for you!

Admissions is in the midst of recruiting members for their newly established Panther Ambassadors volunteer organization!

Panther Ambassadors are a select group of volunteer UNI students who share their experiences on everything from academics to student life and provide a personal outlook on the University. Ambassadors assist in the recruitment of diverse classes of future UNI students that represent all academic, socioeconomic, cultural, ethnic, gender, sexuality, abilities and geographic backgrounds.

You can see more information here: https://admissions.uni.edu/panther-ambassador. In order to recommend a student, fill out this FORM by Monday, March 28 at Noon, so Admissions has time to reach out to the students before the application deadline of Friday, April 1 at 11:59PM.

Important Reminder about Student Health Insurance

If you are an International student, the Student Health Clinic needs to know if you are planning to leave the United States during summer break. You must email Connie Potter (connie.potter@uni.edu) and provide the date that you are leaving and the date you are returning to the US. The Student Health Clinic will suspend your insurance coverage during that time. If you’re not enrolled for the summer session and the Student Health Clinic does not hear from you, your coverage will automatically continue. It is important for you to tell the Health Clinic before you leave the US as they cannot remove the coverage until you return to UNI in the fall.
Upcoming OIE Events

Celebrate Ramadan with International Engagement!

Ramadan is almost upon us! Come learn more about the holiday and celebrate the beginning of Ramadan with International Engagement during our weekly coffee hour. The celebration will be Friday April 1st from 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM in Bartlett 1017, our new coffee hour space!

There will be TONS of food, so bring some friends as we celebrate the start of his holy month.

International Engagement Movie Night

Tuesday's are $5 movies at the theater in town and Thursdays movies are only $6 for students! Come and enjoy a flick with OIE, relax, and take a break! See which movies are playing in theaters on this form as well as possible dates for the movies! On the form, please mark the ones that you want to/can attend, and we will reach out a few days before with more information.

This will be ongoing, so check back often for more movie times later in the semester!
Events Around Campus

Ethical Issues in Scholarship: Gender, Ethnicity, and Power

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs invites you to join them for this panel Monday, March 28 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM in Rod Library 287. Panelists in this workshop will help participants become acquainted with key ethical issues involved in research and scholarship. This event will include an interactive discussion on topics related to power relationships, including issues involving gender, race, and ethnicity.

This panel discussion will be led by Helen Harton, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology and include other faculty members. Register for the event Here. Any questions can be directed to Sean Parrish (sean.parrish@uni.edu).

Panther Hot Ones is back!

CAB is hosting Panther Hot Ones again, back by popular demand! Hot dang, we’re bringing back the heat! This was one of the most talked about and most memorable events in recent CAB history. We’ve got 10 new hot sauces and buckets of wings ready just for you, as well as some special guests!

UNI alum Jefferson Fosbender will be back interviewing UNI celebrities as everyone (including the audience) works their through tasty wings that go from somewhat hot to very ... well, we almost had to call the fire department last year. You get the idea. Wednesday, March 30 at 7:00 PM. Limited seats available! Register online at union.uni.edu/cab-registration
RSM Seminar Featuring Motivational Speaker Coach Jim Miller

The RSM Chair is hosting one of the Midwest's most sought after motivational speakers: Ten time NCAA champion coach Jim Miller. Monday, March 28 from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM, join us in Schindler Education Center Auditorium (SEC 220) for this amazing seminar. Coach Miller's "Do it Anyway!" message is especially relevant in the midst of the mid-semester grind. You have an incredible career in front of you, and the hard work and dedication will be worth it! Several RSM employees and partners will be in attendance, so this is also a great networking opportunity.

Space for this event is limited, so sign up now using this form.

Immigration Tips from Edyta

Planning to apply for OPT?

The last day to apply for OPT after graduation is July 13, 2022, which means the application and all the documents needed for a successful application need to be submitted by that date. Do not wait till the last minute. This process has multiple steps. Contact Edyta to learn more. Appointments and zoom appointments are available. You need to be endorsed by DSO prior application being submitted. Your application is going to be declined if submitted without a DSO recommendation.

Filing your taxes:

All international students (nonresident) in the US are required to file a tax return (1040NR) if the student received US income from scholarships or wages during 2021. Students that did not work or receive income in the US, are still obligated to file form 8843 with the IRS.

Program End Date:

Please review the program end date on your I-20. If your program end date does not correspond with the time when you are to complete your degree, please contact our Immigration Advisor in the International Engagement office. You
can email her at edyta.cichon-barche@uni.edu, or schedule a meeting on her calendar using this link.

Staff Spotlight: Myle Duong

Myle Duong is the assistant director of International Recruitment and joined the International Admissions team in January. She graduated from UNI as a Global Marketing major and is excited to be back on campus in this position. Her travels have taken her to 4 out of the 7 continents (several from studying abroad at UNI) and one of her favorite places to visit is Vietnam because of the amazing cuisine.

Her position in International Admissions is focused on recruiting and advising students through the international admissions process as well as developing communication strategies to promote UNI across the globe.
Last Week at OIE

Last week was Spring break, but this past Monday, International Engagement celebrated Holi, the Hindu festival of Colors. We had an amazing turn out, and the colors were so pretty. Many thanks to everyone who attended!

On Wednesday, the CIEP held their Host Family orientation, connecting our CIEP students to their wonderful host families.
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