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UNI Commencement

UNI will host three commencement ceremonies this year beginning this evening. All ceremonies will be held in the McLeod Center and will be streamed live at <http://live.uni.edu/>

Department of Residence Move Out Procedures

The spring semester portion of the Department of Residence contract ends TODAY Friday, May 9, 2014. Students who are not staying for summer are expected to move out of their rooms by 7 pm on that date. Please see the attached flyer for move out procedures and deadlines. Students may reside on campus over the summer regardless of whether or not they are enrolled in summer courses. Summer housing for students will be provided in the ROTH Complex and Panther Village. Please see <http://www.uni.edu/dor/housing/summer-housing-and-dining-information-2014> for information on summer housing.

Summer Break Travel Reminder

Please be sure to check your I-20 or DS-2019 form to make sure you have a valid travel endorsement if you will travel outside of the US during the summer break and will be returning to UNI to continue your studies in August 2014. For F-1 students, the second page of your I-20 form should have a signature that will be less than one year old upon your return to the U.S., for J-1 students the DS-2019 form should have a similar travel endorsement on the first page in the travel endorsement section. Please be sure to check your visa also; if it will expire before your return to Cedar Falls, you will need to apply for a new visa while in your home country.

IMPORTANT: Student Health Insurance

The Student Health Clinic needs to know if you are going to leave the US during summer break. You must email Connie Potter (connie.potter@uni.edu) or stop by the Student Health Clinic to give them the date that you are leaving and date you are returning to the US. The Student Health Clinic will suspend your insurance coverage during that time and you will not be charged. If you are not enrolled for summer sessions and the Student Health Clinic does not hear from you, they will automatically leave you on the insurance coverage assuming you are staying here and just not taking classes. It is important for you to tell the Health Clinic before you go home as they cannot remove the coverage after you have left.

Contacting the International Student Advisor During the Summer

The ISSO Student Advisor Kristen Buldhaupt will be away for the summer beginning Friday, May 2. For assistance, please contact the ISSO office directly at [319-273-6421](tel:319-273-6421) or international.services@uni.edu or stop by our office at 113 Maucker Union.

Things to Do This Summer

Staying in the Cedar Valley this summer? Check out <http://www.uni.edu/unicalendar/> for summer events at UNI, <http://www.communitymainstreet.org/asp/calendar.aspx> for summer events in Cedar Falls, <http://www.cedarvalleytourism.org/events.aspx> for summer events in Waterloo and the Cedar Valley and <http://www.traveliowa.com/calendar> for events around the state of Iowa. There are still plenty of opportunities and events to enjoy on campus and in the Cedar Falls/Waterloo communities.

1. Rent a canoe, kayak, or tent from UNI Outdoors.

2. Hit the trails in the Cedar Valley and bike, walk, or run.
3. Visit the College Hills Arts Festival, Friday and Saturday, June 20-21.
4. Join a UNI Fitness Class
5. Volunteer at the Cedar Valley Humane Society, Food Bank or any other agency in the Cedar Valley.
6. Listen to the bands and various entertainment at Sturgis Falls from June 26-29.
7. Check out the dragon boat races, fireworks, and 5K run/walk at My Waterloo Days from June 12-14.
8. Explore downtown Waterloo and grab something to eat at Friday'Loo.
9. Buy local produce, crafts, flowers, baked goods, and more every Saturday morning at the Cedar Falls Farmers Market.
10. Splash around at The Falls Aquatic Center (<http://www.cedarfalls.com/>) or check out open swim hours at the WRC.
11. Golf at one or both of Cedar Falls' courses.
12. Shop downtown Cedar Falls and catch a show at the Oscar Regent Theater.
13. Check out the Irish Fest in downtown Waterloo from August 1-3.

International Student Room for Rent

Are you interested in living in a family environment while studying here? Room for rent in a family home available June 1. \$375/month includes internet, food, utilities, laundry, etc. The city bus stop is only two houses away. Our last student was a Hawkeye Community College student and we were able to offer them a ride there and back each day for \$50 a month gas. The room is nice sized and comes complete with a queen size bed, dresser and writing table. The address is 112 Edgemont Circle, Waterloo. If interested, please contact Loren or Nancy at [319-236-0604](tel:319-236-0604).

Part-time Babysitter Wanted

Looking for a reliable and responsible part-time babysitter for a 2 year old girl and a 6 year old girl. Pays \$7-8 per hour. If interested contact Oksana at oksana.grybovych@uni.edu.

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