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## **Iowa State Capitol & Science Center of Iowa Day Trip November 16**

On Saturday, November 16, ISSO will be taking a trip to tour the Iowa State Capitol <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/Resources/tourCapitol.aspx> and visit the Science Center of Iowa <http://www.sciowa.org>. The bus will be leaving from Wisconsin Street behind Maucker Union at 8 am and returning at approximately 6 pm. Day trips are open to all interested international students. Total cost of the trip will be \$19 per student (\$10 for the bus and \$9 for admission to the science center). Lunch may be purchased on your own. If you are interested in participating, signup is in the ISSO Office (113 Maucker Union). Please bring \$10 cash (exact change) when signing up. The deadline for signing up is **Wednesday, November 13**. This is a great opportunity to travel off campus and spend some time hanging out with friends while visiting the interactive science center and the Iowa State Capitol.

## **Lunch and Learn: There's Still Time to Get Involved! November 20**

Are you curious and still looking for ways to get involved on campus? Not sure how to do that? Come to our November Lunch and Learn on Wednesday, November 20th at 12 pm noon in the University Room in Maucker Union. We will be bringing in knowledgeable staff who can answer any of your questions regarding how to get involved, what clubs and organizations are available, etc. Also, free lunch for all who attend and one lucky attendee will leave with a \$10 gift card to University Book and Supply.

## **Ethnic Food Celebration: Australian Food November 21**

On Thursday, November 21, ISSO will be hosting an Australian Ethnic Food Celebration in the Center for Multicultural Education (CME) in Maucker Union starting at 6 pm. Stop by to taste some FREE traditional Australian food.

## **International Education Week November 11-14**

This year's International Education Week, which runs from November 11-14 will bring all who participate on a tour of four regions of the world: South America, the Middle East, Africa, and Eastern Asia. Each region will be highlighted on a different day of International Education Week through events that will bring out different aspects of the culture in each region. Events will include *tête-à-tête* discussions between religious leaders and faculty members, dessert sampling at Prexy's, special meal options in the dining centers, films from each region during the evening, an International Cultural Clothing show organized by the International Student Association, and a musical performance by Latin music group, Calle Sur, to kick off the week. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to take part in the events! Participants will have a great time while learning more about each region. For the complete list of scheduled events, please visit <http://www.uni.edu/internationalprograms/>

## **International Cultural Fashion Show November 11**

The International Cultural Fashion Show 2013 will be held on Monday, November 11, in Maucker Union Ballroom A from noon-1 pm. The purpose of this event is to promote diversity among students as well as to introduce the different cultural clothing worn by the different cultures of the world.

## **African Union Multicultural Night November 15**

The African Union will be hosting the Fourth Multicultural Night on Friday, November 15 from 6-9 pm. There will be performers, information tables and food from all over the world. The location to be announced.

### **Culture Hour: Dining November 12**

The Culture Hour: Dining will be held on Tuesday, November 12 from 4-5 pm in the University Room, Maucker Union.

### **Students From Thailand, Cambodia and Laos**

During the month of December, Dr. Virginia Berg will be visiting the countries of Thailand, Cambodia and Laos. If you are interested in having her visit your family during this time, please contact [Virginia.Berg@uni.edu](mailto:Virginia.Berg@uni.edu).

### **Optional Practical Training (OPT) for Eligible F-1 Students**

If you are in F-1 immigration status and you are planning to graduate in December 2013, you may apply for Optional Practical Training. You are probably eligible for this 12 month period of employment authorization within the U.S. For more information, look at this section of our website <http://www.uni.edu/internationalservices/f-1-student-employment-information>.

If you have any questions, please contact Ross Schupbach, Immigration & Visa Coordinator, at [ross.schupbach@uni.edu](mailto:ross.schupbach@uni.edu). You may also go ahead and schedule an application appointment with Ross if you are ready to submit your application.

### **Academic Training for Eligible J-1 Students**

J-1 students can consider Academic Training if they would like to work off campus in the U.S. before or after graduation. For more information about Academic Training, please take a look at the ISSO website, <http://www.uni.edu/internationalservices/j-1-student-employment-information> or contact Ross Schupbach, Immigration & Visa Coordinator, at [ross.schupbach@uni.edu](mailto:ross.schupbach@uni.edu) and ask for a copy of the Academic Training Information and Application Guide.

### **Female Subleser Needed**

In need of a female student to take over my room in a 4BR apartment. Lease starts from January and ends in May 2014. You pay \$310 a month plus electricity (about \$9 a month). Very close to UNI campus. I will pay rent for January, so rent is free for you the first month. Please email [mohh@uni.edu](mailto:mohh@uni.edu) if interested.

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