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A NEW PittPAY is Coming this Spring!

- You will need to enroll in eRefunds when the NEW PittPAY system is released, even if you are already signed up for Direct Deposit in PittPAY now for student refunds.

- You will also need to review or update your Authorized Users (parents, guardians, spouses, and others) so they will have access to your student account.

Look for emails from the Student Payment Center this April letting you know when you can log in to the NEW PittPAY site to complete these important steps.

2017-2018 PittPAY PAYMENT PLANS ENROLLMENT BEGINS IN LATE APRIL!
**Automatic Revalidation of Visas**

The validity of an expired nonimmigrant visa may be considered to be automatically extended to the date of application for readmission at ports of entry. This includes cases where U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services has changed the nonimmigrant classifications of an alien to another nonimmigrant classification. The validity of an expired or unexpired nonimmigrant visa may be considered to be automatically extended to the date of readmission and the visa may be converted as necessary to that changed classification. [22.C.F.R. 41.112(d)]

Visitors (and accompanying spouses and / or children) whose visas have expired may be boarded provided they meet the following requirements:

**F and J nonimmigrants:**
- Readmission from contiguous territory or adjacent islands (except Cuba)
- Readmission after an absence not exceeding 30 days
- In possession of Form I-94 endorsed to show an unexpired period of initial admission or extension of stay or in possession of the Certificate of Eligibility Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) I-20AB or SEVIS DS-2029
- In possession of a valid passport, unless exempt
- Does not require authorization for admission under the INA 212(d)(3)
- Has not applied for a new visa while abroad
- Has maintained and intends to resume nonimmigrant status

**All other nonimmigrants:**
- Readmission from contiguous territory
- Readmission after an absence not exceeding 30 days
- In possession of Form I-94 endorsed to show an unexpired period of initial admission or extension of stay
- M-1 student must also present a properly endorsed SEVIS Form I-20MN
- In possession of a valid passport, unless exempt
- Does not require authorization for admission under the INA 212(d)(3)
- Has not applied for a new visa while abroad
- Has maintained and intends to resume nonimmigrant status

The provisions of the automatic revalidation of visas does not apply to citizens of countries identified as supporting terrorism in the State Department’s annual report to Congress. Countries that are ineligible are Iran, Syria, Sudan and Cuba. The information on this bulletin supersedes page 18 inside the revised May 2011 Carrier Information Guide.

Fact Sheet: Aviation Security Enhancements for Select Last Point of Departure Airports with Commercial Flights to the United States

Overview: Change to international travel carry-on items

Evaluated intelligence indicates that terrorist groups continue to target commercial aviation and are aggressively pursuing innovative methods to undertake their attacks, to include smuggling explosive devices in various consumer items. Based on this information, Secretary of Homeland Security John Kelly and Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Huban Gowadia have determined it is necessary to enhance security procedures for passengers at certain last point of departure airports to the United States.

These enhancements apply to 10 specific airports. The affected overseas airports are: Queen Alia International Airport (AMM), Cairo International Airport (CAI), Ataturk International Airport (IST), King Abdul-Aziz International Airport (JED), King Khalid International Airport (RUH), Kuwait International Airport (KWI), Mohammed V Airport (CMN), Hamad International Airport (DOH), Dubai International Airport (DXB), and Abu Dhabi International Airport (AUH).

The aviation security enhancements will include requiring that all personal electronic devices larger than a cell phone or smart phone be placed in checked baggage at 10 airports where flights are departing for the United States.

Impacted International Flights Bound for the United States

These enhanced security measures will only affect flights from 10 of the more than 250 airports that serve as last points of departure to the United States. A small percentage of flights to the United States will be affected, and the exact number of flights will vary on a day to day basis. Airlines will know in advance which flights are affected by these measures.

Large Electronic Devices

Electronic devices larger than a cell phone/smart phone will not be allowed to be carried onboard the aircraft in carry-on luggage or other accessible property. Electronic devices that exceed this size limit must be secured in checked luggage. Necessary medical devices will be allowed to remain in a passenger’s possession after they are screened.

The approximate size of a commonly available smartphone is considered to be a guideline for passengers. Examples of large electronic devices that will not be allowed in the cabin on affected flights include, but are not limited to: Laptops, Tablets, E-Readers, Cameras, Portable DVD players, Electronic game units larger than a smartphone, Travel printers/scanners.

There is no impact on domestic flights in the United States or flights departing the United States. Electronic devices will continue to be allowed on all flights originating in the United States.
Weekend Trip
Washington D.C.

- 246 miles / 395km from Pittsburgh; **4.5 hour drive**
- Direct Greyhound bus available; ~40USD roundtrip
- D.C. has lots of free museums and memorials to see
- Cherry blossoms in the Spring; Cherry Blossom Festival Parade on April 8th
- A D.C. visit is a great way to learn about American history!
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Experience America is a series of events and activities offered to visiting scholars, their families, and graduate students with dependents to help them better understand the American culture. The program is designed to introduce participants to campus and the local community.

UPCOMING EVENTS:
More info to come via email

May—Lunch and Learn: Health

June—Pittsburgh Pirates Game at PNC Park
Located just east of Oakland, Shadyside is a diverse neighborhood with various types of houses and apartments, local businesses, high-end shopping, and a range of bars and restaurants.

Historically, Shadyside was an area of farmland and industrial plants outside of Downtown Pittsburgh, and did not become residential until the late 19th century. In the 1950s, shops and local businesses developed the area, and the increase in art and culture in the 1970s turned Shadyside into a thriving community.

The most active spots for fun are located on Walnut Street, Ellsworth Avenue, and South Highland Avenue. Each has a number of bars, restaurants, and local shops. Some favorite local spots for food are: Shadygrove, The Yard Gastropub, Noodlehead, Cappi’s Café, Pamela’s, La Feria and Girasole.

Don’t forget—Shadyside is very walkable, so it’s a great neighborhood to take a stroll in during the coming beautiful Spring days!
Free dental hygiene screenings are a great option for international students!

University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine Students in the Dental Hygiene Program are preparing to take the clinical board exam to obtain a license to practice as dental hygienists.

In preparation for this exam, free oral screenings are being offered in an effort to recruit the patients for this exam. Prospective exam patients will be screened for free and also will receive a free dental exam and treatment plan if they become a patient.

Individuals who meet the board examination criteria—a presence of moderate tartar build-up below the gums—and also can be present for the exam on May 12, 2017 will receive a free dental cleaning.

The 30 minute screening process includes:

- Free full mouth screening
- Free oral health kit
- Free initial exam and treatment plan if you return to the School of Dental Medicine for further care

Qualifying individuals will also receive at the time of the exam:

- Free x-rays, including duplication and distribution to your private dentist
- Free dental cleaning

Our free dental services have an estimated value of up to $132.

Please schedule your screening appointment by visiting our online scheduling assistant.

If you are unavailable on the screening days listed in the scheduling assistant, please provide your contact information and you will be contacted as new screening days are coordinated.

This offer is for a limited time only. There are a limited number of screening days. Your appointment will take place in the School of Dental Medicine. Please visit the registration area located in the lobby of Salk Hall at 3501 Terrace Street to begin your screening process.

Qualifying participants must be available to serve as patients during the board examination on May 12, 2017, from 6:45am–12pm or from 12–5pm (exact time to be determined).
THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Submit an abstract to showcase YOUR EVENT at tinyurl.com/YOD-PosterEvent.
Deadline to apply is MARCH 15.

There will also be continuous roundtable discussions hosted by EIADAC members and Year of Diversity committee members, discussing topics such as:

- How has the Year of Diversity affected you?
- What event was most meaningful to you and why?
- What changes have been made/what changes still need to be made?
- What events would you like to see continued?

Please join us to browse posters depicting events from the Year of Diversity.

Beverages and cookies will be served. This event is open to all faculty, staff, students, and post-docs.

Sponsored by the Provost’s Initiative, EIADAC, Office of Diversity and Inclusion, and the University Senate

http://www.yearofdiversity.pitt.edu/event/year-diversity-poster-session
IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

April 7  Last day for Fall Term enrollment appointments

April 8  Fall Term open enrollment period begins

April 18 Tax filing deadline for Tax Year 2016

April 21 Spring Term: Last day for undergraduate day classes

April 22 Reading Day

April 22-29 College of General Studies classes, Saturday Only classes, graduate classes, and evening classes will continue to meet during this period; final examinations should be held during the last scheduled class meeting

April 24-29 Final examination period for all undergraduate day classes

April 28  UCIS Graduation Ceremony

April 29 Spring Term Ends: Official date for degrees awarded in Spring Term

April 30  Annual Commencement Convocation; Residence halls close (except for graduating seniors)

May 8  Summer enrollment ends and classes begin

May 19 Summer add/drop ends