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**AUGUST 2016 WELCOME CALENDAR**

**INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE STUDENTS**

*Students who arrive after August 26 should come to OISS Monday-Friday, 8:30-11:30 or 1:00-5:00.*

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Immigration Check-In & Employment Paperwork

- **Immigration Check-In / Social Security**
  - **EXPANDED IMMIGRATION CHECK-IN:** From August 2 – August 18, 2016, ALL international graduate students can come to 105 International Center (OISS) to complete paperwork during office hours (T, 3-5pm; TH, 9-11am).
  - **NO GRADUATE IMMIGRATION CHECK-IN** Friday, August 19 – Thursday, August 25, 2016 (undergraduates only).
  - Immigration Check-In for **LATE ARRIVALS** is on August 26, 2016 from 9-11am in 214 Bessey.
    - Students who arrive after August 26 should come to OISS Monday-Friday, 8:30-11:30 or 1:00-5:00.
  - **NOTE:** International TAs will complete immigration check-in and Social Security paperwork at these times **(not during International TA Orientation)**.

- **I-9s:**
  - Since the implementation of the new electronic I-9 system, Human Resources is requesting that departments complete I-9s for all student employees. If you have any questions about how to process I-9 forms through Equifax, please contact Sarah Powell (powel182@hr.msu.edu) in human resources for assistance.

TA Orientation Programming (ITA Orientation & New TA Institute)

- **Registration:**
  - Students can register on-line starting April 1, 2016
  - Secretaries will be informed of who has registered on a monthly basis
  - Registration site (same as last year): [http://grad.msu.edu/tap/tapreg.aspx](http://grad.msu.edu/tap/tapreg.aspx)

- **NOTES:**
  - New TA Institute is the WEEK BEFORE the week of department orientations
  - Limited walk-ins for 2016
Health Care and Immigration Presentations

- No registration is needed for this event on August 29, 2016 from 4-6pm (Erickson Kiva)
  MSU expert on health care / explaining health care system to international students is Brooke Stokdyk (stokdyk@msu.edu)

SPEAK Test

- http://grad.msu.edu/tap/englishtesting.aspx
- SPEAK Test Registration for August 2016
  - Registration for SPEAK testing will be done **ON-LINE by students**.
  - Departments will need to send their students a separate link to that on-line sign-up site. You will receive an e-mail notification when that link is up and running.

SPEAK Results

- You will be able to retrieve the results directly from an on-line location. More details forthcoming.

Other Welcome Activities for Graduate Students

- Graduate Student Resource Fair and Welcome Picnic* (8/27)
- International Student Resource Fair (8/22)
- International Student K-12 Information Session* (8/26)
- International Welcome Festival for Graduate Students and Families* (8/26)

* graduate student-focused events