

November 2017

# International Students & TCK Newsletter



## *Greetings from Eowyn & Kim*

*Hi everyone,*

*October has passed and we are already so close to the end of the semester! For those who are traveling back home for Thanksgiving break, we wish you a safe trip and happy holiday! If you are planning to stay here on campus, don't forget to have a good rest, get good food in your system, and maybe plan a trip to Seattle with friends who are also staying behind! Oh, and show some love by giving your family a call! :)*

## **Upcoming Event: Thanksgiving Dinner!**

Mark your calendars! International Programs is going to be hosting a Thanksgiving dinner! This event will be on **Thursday, November 16th**, from **5pm—7pm** at the **University Club house**. There will be traditional thanksgiving dishes (roasted turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, etc.) that will be cooked and served freshly by the International Programs, so all you have to do is simply show up and enjoy! Please **RSVP** if you are planning to attend the event, and let us know if you have any dietary restrictions. If you want to join in on cooking, please let me know in the email as well! This is my ultimate favorite event of the year! Hope to see you all there!

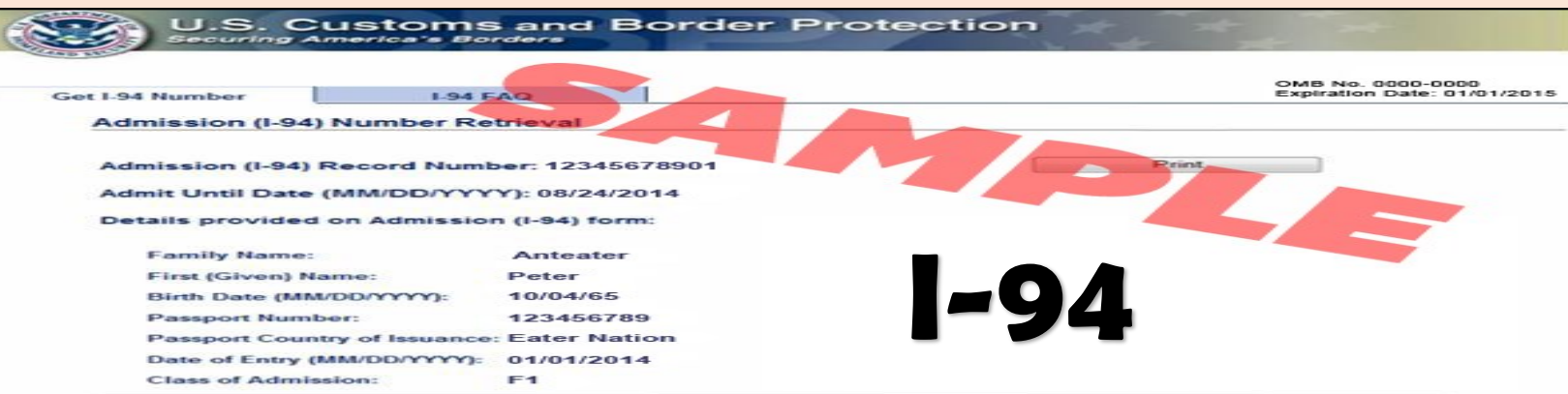
# Messages from Eowyn

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## BEWARE OF SCAMS

International students can be targeted as the victims of very sophisticated scams. Never agree to pay anyone money over the phone or via email no matter how much detail they seem to have about you. Check out some of the common scams here (<https://www.uscis.gov/avoid-scams/common-scams>) and never hesitate to contact me if you are suspicious about a phone call or email you receive regarding your immigration status or visa status.

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The screenshot shows the U.S. Customs and Border Protection website interface. At the top, it says "U.S. Customs and Border Protection" and "Securing America's Borders". There is a search bar for "I-94 Number" and a "Print" button. The main content area displays an "Admission (I-94) Record Number: 12345678901" and "Admit Until Date (MM/DD/YYYY): 08/24/2014". Below this, it lists "Details provided on Admission (I-94) form:" followed by a table of personal information. A large red "SAMPLE" watermark is overlaid across the center of the page, and the text "I-94" is written in large black letters at the bottom right of the screenshot.

Family Name:	Anteater
First (Given) Name:	Peter
Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	10/04/65
Passport Number:	123456789
Passport Country of Issuance:	Eater Nation
Date of Entry (MM/DD/YYYY):	01/01/2014
Class of Admission:	F1

As some of you will be traveling over the thanksgiving or winter breaks I wanted to remind you all about the I-94 website: <https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home>

I recommend that you log in and PRINT your I-94 within three days of returning to the US each time you depart and re-enter the US. I've recently heard a few nightmare stories of student's I-94 records being wrong and it can be a hassle to get it fixed if you don't catch the mistake right away. Plus it's handy to have your most recent I-94 with your I-20 in case you need to show anyone your immigration documents.

# RISE (for Sophomores)



Are you a Sophomore who is interested in getting academic credit while interning over the summer? Then look into RISE (Reflective Immersive Sophomore Experience)! This Spring '18, a new, credit-bearing opportunity is available for sophomores only. The Reflective Immersive Sophomore Experience (RISE) pilot program offers sophomores the opportunity to earn .25 academic credit for internship participation allowing students to connect their liberal arts education to an off-campus, career environment. The new RISE program will also help students build career knowledge in their area of interest and be empowered to move confidently towards (or away from) a career field.

**Please check out more information on the website:**

**<https://www.pugetsound.edu/academics/experiential/for-students/featured-programs/rise/>**