

UPAC Agenda

March 13, 2024
8:45 AM -10:00 AM

Welcome: UPAC Co-Chairs

8:45 am to 9:00 am: **End of Semester ISS Reminders:** Noelle Sallaz

- International students who are here on visa
- End of the semester reminders:
 - Must maintain full-time enrollment throughout the entire semester.
 - Undergraduate students: minimum 12 units.
 - 3 units max of online courses counts towards full-time enrollment (9 units of in-person/hybrid courses).
 - Grad students: 9 or 6 units depending on coursework.
 - Full-time enrollment for summer is not required for continuing students or first semester students.
 - Summer graduates need to have in person courses.
 - Off- Campus Work Authorization
 - This is applicable for students who are aiming to have a summer internship or job off campus.
 - Must connect with ISS for approval of authorization.
 - Advisor approval – explain how this experience will be integrated within their degree program.
 - ISS relies on the advisor approval to approve work authorization to ensure that the desired experience is necessary for their degree.
- Program Extensions
 - If students need more time to graduate – they need to contact ISS to extend their I-20 through MyGlobal
 - Takes about 10 business days to process.
 - Degree extension requires advisor approval (confirm their graduation date).
- Status Violations:
 - Common violations for negative reasons:
 - Not enrolled as a full-time status and or not enrolled in enough in-person units.
 - Failure to extend 1-20 before expirations (needs to be renewed prior to expiration).
 - Academic Eligibility of Ineligible
 - Neutral violations:
 - Authorized withdrawal from term from ISS
 - Options to regain status:
 - Leave and reenter the U.S with a new I-20
 - Apply for reinstatement with USCIS (lengthier process – can take over year).

9:00 am to 9:15 am: **Liverman Scholars Program & Earth Grant Program:** Maia Schneider & Jessica Estrada

- Arizona Institute for Resilience (AIR) Education Initiatives
 - Diana Liverman Scholars Program (Contact – Maia Schneider)
 - Grounded with environmental storytelling and science communication.
 - They gain hands-on experiences and learning through this program.
 - Program Components:
 - Weekly workshops to cultivate variety of skills.
 - 4 field-based experiences per year (overnight stays)
 - Program Benefits:
 - 2 units per semester (GEOG 399)
 - \$500 stipend per semester – distributed through Bursars's towards mid-late semester.
 - Mentorship/networking
 - Eligibility requirements:
 - Main campus students of any major
 - Sophomore-senior class standing for the following year / graduating in or after SP25.
 - Enrolled in at least 6 units beyond this program.
 - Must be able to commit to semester participation.
 - NO GPA Minimum
 - Application:
 - Demographic info survey/personal statement/resume/CV/2 contacts for recommendation
 - Earth Grant Program (Contact Jessica Estrada)
 - Yearlong leadership development program for gaining experience in environment and resilience fields.
 - Program Components:
 - Weekly class to develop personal and professional skills (2 units)
 - Yearlong internship (5-25 hours per week)
 - Must commit to spring and fall semester.
 - Program Benefits:
 - Paid internship – \$19 an hour
 - Networking/mentorship/hands-on experience/leadership development
 - Requirements:
 - Students of any major
 - Enrolled in at least 6 units for upcoming fall/spring.
 - Housed in Tucson during the 24-25 school year (online internship opportunities available)
 - No GPA minimum.
 - Application:
 - Student information/ personal statement video/interest

- in the program and preferred internship selection
- Applications for both programs are open from March 18th – May 6th.
 - Joint application process (must specify which program they are interested in)
 - Application through Qualtrics
- Save the Date April 18th : 1 – 3pm (resource fair) and 4-6pm (Air education student showcase)

9:15 am to 9:30 am: **Blue Chip Enrollment Process:** Aaron Davis & Lexi Austin

- First year experience for Bluechip to help promote community.
 - EDL 297A (1 unit course)
 - Any student associated with blue-chip must be enrolled within this 1-unit course.
 - Pre-enrollment in EDL 297A prior to the pre-scheduler during their orientation.
 - There are multiple sections of EDL – please do not drop students from this course due to scheduling concerns.
 - Students do not have access to enroll within this course.
 - Lexi Austin can swap them into a new section.
 - Email: alexusaustin@arizona.edu

9:30 am to 9:45 am: **Wrap Up Announcements, High Fives, Introductions:** Nicole Gonzalez

- UPAC Co-chair Elections:
 - Nomination form will be sent by Nicole
 - Nominees must accept nomination and share their insights in the April Meeting
 - Election process will occur from April – May and the 2 nominations will be finalized in the May UPAC Meeting

Adjourn

Join us via ZOOM: <https://arizona.zoom.us/j/86081282420>

- Please virtually log in with your first and last name so we can track your attendance :)

UPAC Co-Chairs for 2023-2024 school year

- Keisha Fuller – knfuller@email.arizona.edu
- Debra Armand-Cade- darmandcade@arizona.edu
- Juliana Lincoln- julianalincoln@arizona.edu

*To request to present at a future UPAC meeting, please email the UPAC Co-Chairs

******To get added to the UPAC listserv and receive UPAC emails, email the [Advising Resource Center](#) (ARC) at advising@arizona.edu

*******UA Advisors can send relevant emails to the UPAC listserv by emailing:
UPAC@list.arizona.edu

Do you have a new elective course to announce? Use our new [Elective Course Announcement Form](#)! See the results [here](#). **REMEMBER:** This is only an advising tool and should not be shared directly with students. The schedule of classes remains the official listed of course information.