

# Spring 2008 Workshops for International Employees

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## AAA Driver Improvement Course

AAA's six-hour defensive driving course will enable you to receive a 10% discount on your car insurance, reduce the number of points on your driving record (if you have any violations), refresh your driving skills and learn techniques for collision prevention. **Advance registration is required. Call 634-7900 or 1-800-836-2582 to sign up. Course Fee: \$25.**

*Presenter: Joseph Slazak, AAA (American Automobile Association)*

Saturday, January 19	9:00-3:30	Clemens Hall 120, North Campus
Saturday, February 16	9:00-3:30	Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

## Winter Driving

Do you know how to drive safely on snow and ice? Come learn safety tips for driving in the winter.

*Presenter: Rodric Mooney, AAA (American Automobile Association)*

Wednesday, January 23	3:00-4:00	Capen Hall 31, North Campus
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## An Overview of Permanent Residency through Employer Sponsorship

Learn about various employment-sponsored options for professionals in the U.S., including the Outstanding Professor / Researcher category, and Special Handling and PERM Labor Certifications. This workshop will also address work authorization for spouses, permanent residency visa backlogs, processing times, and travel outside the U.S. while your case is pending.

*Presenter: Oscar Budde, Esq., Director, Immigration Services, UB*

Wednesday, January 30	4:00-5:30	Capen Hall 31, North Campus
Wednesday, February 20	3:00-4:30	Capen Hall 31, North Campus

## H-1B Visas: An Information Session

Come learn what an H-1 B visa is, who is eligible for it, what the steps are for obtaining an H-1 B visa and so on.

*Presenter: Ellen Dussourd, Director, International Student & Scholar Services, UB*

Tuesday, February 5	12:00-1:15	Capen Hall 31, North Campus
Tuesday, March 18	4:00-5:15	Capen Hall 31, North Campus
Wednesday, April 23	3:30-4:45	Capen Hall 31, North Campus

## Applying for a "Green Card": Outstanding Professor / Researcher Petitions, Adjustment of Status and Consular Processing

Are you thinking of applying for a "green card" through the Outstanding Professor / Researcher category? This session will discuss the stages of applying: 1) the employer's Outstanding Professor / Researcher petition, and 2) the employee's Adjustment of Status application or immigrant visa application to a U.S. Consulate abroad. It will also explore costs, supporting evidence, processing times, work authorization in the U.S. and authorization to travel outside the U.S. while the case is pending.

*Presenter: Oscar Budde, Esq., Director, Immigration Services, UB*

Wednesday, February 13

12:00-1:30

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

Wednesday, April 9

3:00-4:30

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

## Income Tax Workshops

Learn about U.S. tax laws as they apply to J-1 scholars who have been in the U.S. for two years or less. Find out what you need to do to file a tax return and report taxable income.

*Presenters: Barbara Dawkins, Internal Revenue Service, and Suzanne Reusch, New York State Department of Taxation & Finance*

Tuesday, February 19

5:00-7:00

Norton Hall 112, North Campus

Friday, March 28

5:00-7:00

Norton Hall 112, North Campus

Wednesday, April 2

5:00-6:00

Norton Hall 112, North Campus

Note: The workshop on Wednesday, April 2 is for scholars who had no U.S. income in 2007.

## Travel USA

This workshop is geared toward inexperienced travelers who want to explore the U.S. while having fun, learning and sticking to a low budget.

Participants will be introduced to hostelling, and learn travel tips and tricks from an experienced traveler.

*Presenter: Benjamin Breault, Hostelling International--Niagara Frontier Council*

Monday, February 25

4:30-5:30

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

## Pathways to Permanent Residency through Labor Certification

Come find out the ins-and-outs of Labor Certification. This session will discuss the stages, costs, processing times, prevailing wage determinations, advertising and recruitment requirements, travel outside the U.S. while your case is pending and more.

*Presenter: Oscar Budde, Esq., Director, Immigration Services, UB*

Wednesday, March 5

12:00-1:30

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

Wednesday, April 16

4:00-5:30

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

## **A Guide to Visas for Medical Professionals**

Are you a medical resident who is considering your options after you complete your residency? This workshop will address J-1 waivers (mainly Conrad and Interested Government Agency, but also Hardship and Persecution), non-immigrant employment options (H and O visas) and permanent residency options (mainly PERM Labor Certifications and National Interest Waivers, but also Extraordinary Ability and Outstanding Professor/ Researcher).

*Presenter: Rosanne Mayer, Esq., Miller Mayer, LLP, Ithaca, New York*

Friday, April 4

4:30-6:00

Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

## **How to Buy and Maintain Your Car**

Learn tips for finding a good used car that matches your budget, negotiating the best price and keeping your car in good running condition in all seasons.

*Presenter: Rodric Mooney, AAA (American Automobile Association)*

Monday, April 7

3:30-5:00

Capen Hall 31, North Campus