# STETSON UNIVERSITY

WORLD: The David & Leighan Rinker Center for International Learning

# Visiting International Scholars Resource Guide

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# FROM THE DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL LEARNING

#### Dear Visiting Scholar:

Welcome to Stetson University and to sunny Florida!

We are so happy that you will be joining our diverse community of learners and scholars. Currently, we have more than 55 countries represented on campus, and we are welcoming more international students, faculty, and scholars from all parts of the world every term.

While you are here, we hope that you will take advantage of everything Stetson and DeLand has to offer. Our location in Central Florida means that you are only about 25 minutes from the beach and less than an hour from Orlando. Stetson University is a private, selective, liberal arts university. As the oldest private university in Florida, Stetson recently celebrating its 135<sup>th</sup> anniversary of serving students. Our undergraduate student population is around 3,000, and with a 13:1 student to faculty ratio, our small class sizes ensure high faculty engagement with students.

Stetson offers many opportunities for our visiting scholars to be involved, and we hope that you will be an active member of our community during your time with us.

Please take the time to review the following handbook, as it contains useful information to help you acclimate to Stetson, DeLand, and the United States.

If you need any help or support before, after, or during your stay, please know that WORLD: The David and Leighan Rinker Center for International Learning is here for you.

We look forward to hosting you on our campus!

Best wishes,

Paula Hentz

Director of International Learning

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WORLD: The David and Leighan Rinker Center for International Learning

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# THE RINKER CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL LEARNING

#### **MISSION**

WORLD: The David and Leighan Rinker Center for International Learning works to promote and support intercultural competence and global citizenship through quality study abroad programs, international student and scholar support services, and community-based international initiatives.

#### **HOURS**

Except on official University holidays, WORLD is open all year, Monday -Friday 8:00 AM-4:30 PM. Please stop by our office at 635 Bert Fish Road or call 386-822-8165 to learn more about any of our services or programs.

#### **WALK-INS & APPOINTMENTS**

The staff at WORLD is available to assist you in your adjustment and acclimation to Stetson University and to the United States. If you would like to speak with someone on our staff, you have three options.

- You can schedule an appointment. By scheduling an appointment, you can lock in up to an hour of dedicated time with any of our professional staff.
- You can walk in for an appointment. These appointments are usually about 15 minutes long and are best when used to attend to issues and concerns that can be quickly resolved. These appointments occur on a first come first served basis and may require you to wait until a staff member is available.
- You can call the office at 386-822-8165 and ask to speak with any staff member. Calls will be answered as staff is available.

#### **ADVISING SERVICES**

Our staff at WORLD is professionally trained to provide information and counseling to foreign nationals about academic, immigration, legal, career, financial, personal, and family matters, as well as issues of cross-cultural adjustment and professional integration upon returning home. In addition, we provide training and programs that enhance the awareness and understanding of cross-cultural and international issues. We consult daily with University faculty and staff on issues related to international scholars in their departments.

#### **VISA DOCUMENTS**

WORLD is responsible for helping international scholars maintain their nonimmigrant visa status. We prepare or assist in preparing certain nonimmigrant visa documents required by the U.S. government for persons with F-1 (student) and J-1 (student/scholar). These include documents for travel, dependent travel, changes of degree program, transfer of schools, extension of stay, and employment options.

#### **WORLD STAFF**

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# BASICS RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE J-1 VISA

#### SUBMIT DOCUMENTS TO GET A DS-2019

The Form DS-2019 or "Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1) Status" is the basic document used in the administration of the exchange visitor program. This form permits a prospective exchange visitor to seek an interview at a U.S. embassy or consulate in order to obtain a J-1 visa to enter the United States. The Form DS-2019 identifies the exchange visitor and their designated sponsor and provides a brief description of the exchange visitor's program, including the start and end date, category of exchange, and an estimate of the cost of the exchange program.

In order to book an appointment with the U.S. Embassy or Consulate, you will need this document. ALL DOCUMENTATION MUST BE IN ENGLISH.

Documents Required to Obtain DS-2019

#### HEALTH INSURANCE REQUIREMNTS

Per the Cultural Exchange Act and university policy, international scholars are required to

- have medical coverage
- obtain a health insurance plan that will provide adequate coverage in the Stetson University/Central Florida area
- show proof of health coverage to staff at WORLD: The David and Leighan Rinker Center for International Learning

As a scholar, you may choose your own insurance plan, but it must meet certain basic criteria for adequate coverage. Insurance Information for International Students – Basic Plan Criteria

#### ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMELINES

All J-1 visitors and J-2 dependent visitors are allowed in the U.S. for up to 30 days prior to the program start date listed on the DS-2019 (with a J-1 Visa and a passport). Departure from the U.S. is required no later than 30 days after the completion date listed on the DS-2019.

#### TRAVEL SIGNATURE

All J-1 and J-2 visitors who wish to travel outside the U.S. while on a DS-2019 issued by Stetson University must have a valid travel signature on their Ds-2019. The travel signature is valid for 6 months then must be updated. The travel signature is also important to have in case of emergencies, such as hurricane evacuation, medical and other personal emergencies. Scholars can obtain travel signatures by making an appointment with the Authorized Recording Official at WORLD@stetson.edu.

# PRE-ARRIVAL & POST-ARRIVAL CHECKLIST

Whom To Contact For Help

Use this checklist as a basic guide to help you transition into Stetson. It refers you to the correct department when seeking support or answers to concerns and questions.

	Activity	Language Scholars	Research, Teaching, and Exchange Scholars
×	Agreement is signed	WORLD@stetson.edu	Hosting Department
×	Introductions to key support people	WORLD@stetson.edu	Hosting Department
	Housing	WORLD Residential Living and	Hosting Department
		Learning	
	Health Records	WORLD	Hosting Department
		Student Health Office	
	Taking classes at Stetson	WORLD@stetson.edu	Hosting Department
	Purchasing books	WORLD@stetson.edu	Hosting Department
	Stetson ID	WORLD@stetson.edu	Hosting Department
	Access to Blackboard/email/office space/etc.	Hosting Department	Hosting Department
	Airport pick up and other transportation to campus	Hosting Department	Hosting Department
	Shopping (on arrival)	WORLD	Hosting Department
-		Hosting Department	
	Check in at WORLD within 72 hours of arrival on campus	WORLD@stetson.edu	WORLD
	Campus Tour	WORLD@stetson.edu	Hosting Department
	Obtain a Social Security Card	WORLD@stetson.edu	Hosting Department Human Resources
	Set up bank account	WORLD@stetson.edu	Hosting Department
	Attend New Scholar Orientation	WORLD	Hosting Department
	Attend New Faculty Orientation	Brown Center For Faculty Innovation and Excellence	Brown Center For Faculty Innovation and Excellence

# **TRANSPORTATION**

#### LOCAL AIRPORTS

Several airports are located within one hour of Stetson University.

Name	Directions to Stetson University
Daytona Beach International Airport (DAB)	Take the Daytona-Orlando Transportation Service (DOTS) to the Village Café at Victoria gardens. Then, take a taxi/Uber/Lyft to Stetson University.
Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB)	If your flight arrives from SFB, there are several transportation options available to take you from the airport to Stetson University.
Orlando International Airport (MCO)	Take the Daytona-Orlando Transportation Service (DOTS) to the Village Café at Victoria gardens. Then, take a taxi/Uber/Lyft to Stetson University.
DeLand Airport (private municipal airport)	Take a taxi, Uber or Lyft to Stetson University

Daytona-Orlando Transit Service (DOTS) is Stetson University's preferred airport shuttle. DOTS offers pick up from three Volusia County locations – Daytona Beach, Deltona, and DeLand – and provides round-trip airport shuttle service for a fee.

421 N. Woodland Blvd
is Stetson University's
official address. It is not
a drop off point.
Be sure to have the
correct address for the
location you need.

#### **CAR RENTAL**

Always be sure to check the age requirements. Most companies will allow those from 18-25 years old to rent a car but they will add a surcharge for doing this that is sometimes added to the final bill when you pick up the car.

Make sure you are covered with the right collision damage insurance cover. All companies will offer this, but some may offer this service as added extra coverage, which can push the price up – make sure you have this insurance in place and that you know the full details of what is covered. Personal accident insurance is important. If you do get into an accident, be sure that your personal health/ travel insurance provides you with adequate coverage in case you are in an accident and need to seek medical treatment.

Read the fine print! Always make sure you read the fine print of your car hire as things could be hidden! Make sure you have the correct license and you can drive in the country to which you are traveling.

THE SUNSHINE STATE

#### LOCAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

A number of options are available to transport you to Stetson and from Stetson. A listing is below.

Daytona-Orlando Transit Service (DOTS)

Daytona - Orlando Airport Shuttle

Classi Taxi and Airport Shuttle

**UBER** 

LYFT

Central Florida Trans Tours

**DeLand Express Minivan Taxi** 

King's Transportation Group

5-Star Limousine Service

Park Avenue Limousines

Town Car Limousine

**Bus Service** 

#### **EXPLORE FLORIDA**

Stetson's location is ideal in that it is located close to the beach and close to Orlando. For example, New Smyrna and Daytona beaches are less than 30 minutes away and Florida's internationally known theme parks are only an hour away. But, there is so much more to explore! At our space coast, we have Kennedy's Space Center and just north, St. Augustine, the oldest European settled city, features the interesting history of Florida. Plus, Florida sits on a massive network of underground springs and hot springs can be found in towns closely.

Florida is nicknamed "The Sunshine State" because of its year round sunshine and mild temperatures. Learn about the <u>history</u> of Florida and other facts. <u>Explore</u> the beautiful <u>region</u>. Visit <u>Mainstreet Deland Association</u> for more information.

# HOUSING, FOOD OPTIONS & MORE

Stetson University Deland campus is located in West Volusia County, halfway between Orlando and Daytona Beach.

#### LIVING ON CAMPUS

Stetson University has a vibrant on-campus community that encourages student involvement and instills a sense of community among students. Living on campus is an experience that is unparalleled in facilitating personal growth, promoting intellectual development, and inspiring global citizenship.

#### ABOUT RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANTS

<u>Residential Assistants</u> are students with a desire to cultivate growth in their peers through the residential communities. As student employees for the Department of Housing and Residential Life, these students serve their communities through hall programs, daily interactions between students, and as resources to their residents. To learn more about the ways residential assistants contribute to the Stetson community or to learn about getting involved as a residential assistant or other on-campus leadership role, click the links below!

#### ANIMAL-FRIENDLY HOUSING

Stetson University is unique in allowing approved residents of designated areas to live with their animals. From dogs and cats, to fish and hedgehogs, we know that having an animal is very important for some students.

#### STETSON DINING

Chartwells is the recognized leader in foodservice management, throughout academic institutions across the U.S. "Where Hungry Minds Gather" signifies its commitment to the next generation of thought leaders.

Stetson Dining

#### DINING WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE

Deland has many offerings of food, services and shops. Visit Mainstreet Deland Association for more information.

#### **SUPERMARKETS**

Deland has several supermarkets and stores for purchasing food, personal and other items.

**Publix** 

Walmart

Winn Dixie

Save-A-Lot

#### MAIL/POST OFFICE

The DeLand campus post office is located in the Carlton Union Building bookstore. Stetson University ID is required to pick up a package at the post office's front window or side door: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-4:00 PM.

#### SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN

K-12 Schools in Deland and the surrounding county

Volusia County Schools

K-12 Schools in the nearest county south of Volusia

Seminole County Schools

K-12 schools in nearest county west

Lake County Schools

# PHARMACIES AND HOSPITALS

In the event of a medical emergency, call 911 for assistance.

Fish Memorial Hospital

Deland Central Care

Walgreens Walk-in Clinic

Hospitals in the United States expect payment for health care at the time of service. There is no such thing as free hospital treatment in the U.S. All fees have to be paid for either by you or your insurance company, even in the case of an emergency. For information on "How to deal with hospitals and clinics", click here.

Laws regarding medication distribution in the United States are very strict. A doctor in the USA must prescribe medicines that you may be able to buy over the counter in your own country, such as antibiotics or codeine. For more information on how to get medication in the U.S., click here.

Walmart Pharmacy	319 N. Woodland Blvd, Deland FL 32720 Phone 386-734-4420
CVS Pharmacy	319 N. Woodland Blvd, Deland FL 32720 Phone 386-734-5822
Walgreens Pharmacy	300 E. New York Ave Deland FL 32724 Phone 386-943-4011
Medicine Shoppe	319 N. Woodland Blvd, Deland FL 32720 Phone 386-734-3383
Publix Pharmacy	299 E. International Speedway Blvd, Deland FL 32724 Phone 386-738-3619
<u>Deland Asian Market</u>	114 N. Woodland Blvd, Deland FL 32720 Phone 386-738-6-9905
Deland Natural Market	933 N. Woodland Blvd Deland FL, 32724 Phone 386-736-7919
GNC Vitamins	297 E. International Speedway Blvd, Deland FL 32724 Phone 386-873-6249
Florida Hospital of Deland	701 W. Plymouth Ave, Deland FL 32720 Phone 386-943-4522

1055 Saxon Blvd, Orange City FL 32763

2293 S. Woodland Blvd, Deland FL 32720

300 E. New York Ave, Deland FL 32724

Phone 386-917-5000

Phone 386-279-7010

Phone 386-943-4011

CVS Minute Clinic 901 N Woodland Blvd, Deland FL 32720
Phone 1-866-389-2727

# PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

#### OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Stetson's Office of Public Safety is committed to providing the campus community with a safe environment, allowing for an enjoyable experience for our students, faculty and staff. Although reported crime at the university low, it is important for members of the campus community to realize that we are not immune from criminal activity. You are encouraged to report incidents of suspicious activity to Public Safety no matter how trivial they may seem. Our staff will investigate these incidents and take whatever action is deemed necessary.

DeLand Police	911
Stetson Public Safety Office	386-822-7300
DeLand Police (non-emergency)	386-626-7400
Community Standards	386-822-7205
Stetson Health Service	386-822-8150
Counseling Center	386-822-8900
Sexual Assault Recovery Center	386-254-4106
Rape Victim Advocate	386-239-7710

In the event of an emergency, dial 911 for ambulance, Deland Police, or fire fighters.

#### **IMPORTANT CAMPUS ADDRESSES**

- Deland Campus: 421 N. Woodland Blvd, Deland, FL 32723
- WORLD: The David and Leighan Rinker Center for International Learning | 635 Bert Fish Rd, Deland FL 32723

#### **CAMPUS MAP**

The Deland campus map helps you navigate campus buildings, green spaces and parking lots.

#### CRIME PREVENTION AND REPORTING

Although incidents of reported crime at Stetson University is low, it takes continuous vigilance to keep the campus community safe. We all play a part in accomplishing this goal. Find <u>helpful tips</u> on preventing crime, as well as what to do if a crime is taking place.

The Office of Public Safety is open 24 hours, 365 days of the year. They are located at 405 North Amelia Avenue on the DeLand campus. To contact Public Safety by phone, dial 386-822-7300 or ext. 7300 from a campus phone. Email Public Safety at publicsafety@stetson.edu.

#### **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

- In the event of an emergency on campus, please refer to Deland Campus Emergency Management.
- In the event of a hurricane, please refer to <u>Deland Campus Emergency Management</u> and <u>Hurricane Preparedness</u> for International Students and Scholars.

#### **PARKING**

All vehicles (cars, bicycles, etc.) must be registered with Public Safety once brought on campus for any period.

# PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT

#### BROWN CENTER FOR FACULTY INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE

The <u>Brown Center for Faculty Innovation and Excellence</u> was established by a generous endowment from Hyatt and Cici Brown. The directives for the center are two-fold: (1) to ensure active and continuous support of Stetson Faculty as lifelong leaders and innovators and (2) to assert Stetson as a national higher education leader by modeling the University's distinctive character of learning and teacher-scholar role for future faculty. A selection of programs is below.

Faculty Spotlight	Spotlight is a bimonthly showcase of research, creative inquiry, and other scholarly engagement of the campus community. Stop by and learn about the research activities of our talented Stetson community.
Faculty Excellence Seminar Series	A series of workshops and seminars that support faculty work. Topics include sessions on the Faculty Annual Report, preparing for tenure and promotion, time management, teaching pedagogy, advising students – to name a few.
Annual Colloquium on Teaching and Learning Innovation	There is something for everyone at the annual Colloquium on Teaching and Learning Innovation. Each spring, the Brown Center hosts colleagues from across the nation for a celebration of learning excellence. We invite you to consider submitting a poster or interactive session to share teaching and learning innovations, gains you have made in any area of learning, present new ideas, and more.
Brown Innovation Fellows	Fellows participate as a cohort in an engaging yearlong institute over the academic year. Faculty fellows hone their teaching skills in ways that promote integrative student learning in an atmosphere of continuous improvement. A call for participation is circulated annually in September.
Teaching & Learning Day	On the Friday before the start of the spring semester, all faculty participate in a day of reflection and discussion with colleagues about big issues that impact our University mission and learning community.
Teaching Circles and Squares	Do you have a big idea around learning that advances student learning? Apply for a small grant, then gather with other faculty and/or staff colleagues over the course of the year to study, examine, learn, share and disseminate. These rich professional networks open new opportunities and resources to faculty.

#### CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Office of Career and Professional Development empowers learners to achieve their personal, academic and career goals. The office offers guidance, programs and services to promote growth and development while clarifying values. View internship and job opportunities posted by employers specifically for Stetson students, scholars and alumni! Other features include online resume reviews and a video interview practice program.

Questions? Contact career@stetson.edu or 386-822-7315.

# ACADEMIC SUPPORT RESOURCES

Academic Success provides opportunities for students to reach their individual goals in the higher education environment by ensuring equal access and skills-based coaching and tutoring. Make an <u>appointment</u>.

#### HOLLIS FAMILY STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

At the <u>Hollis Family Student Success Center</u>, students can participate in Success Coaching, tutoring and supplemental instruction (SPI) or meet for pre-advising guidance or Discovery Coaching. All Services are located on the second floor of the duPont-Ball Library. SPI sessions are held at locations designated by the specific SPI instructor.

#### WRITING CENTER

Stetson University's <u>Writing Center</u> offers free tutoring in writing to students, staff, and faculty. The center's friendly, trained peer tutors help writers across campus with any type of written work, at any stage of the writing process.

#### ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES CENTER

Students with disabilities can connect with the <u>Accessibility Services Center</u> to officially register and receive accommodations, as well as receive guidance and resources to support their goals. Some services include extended time for taking exams and access to assistive technology such as smart pens and audio recorders for use in class. Further questions regarding accessibility resources for students with disabilities should be sent to <u>asc@stetson.edu</u>. Operating Hours: Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Location: 209 E. Bert Fish Drive | DeLand, FL 32723

**Success Coaching** 

Disability Resources

**Academic Advising** 

Fellowships, Scholarships, and Grants

**Tutoring and SPI** 

Resources for Faculty

**Learning Tools** 

#### **CAMPUS STUDY SPOTS**

24 Hour Availability CUB Study Lounge Commons Green Room

Scheduled Availability
Coffee Shop
Mon-Thurs 7:00 AM-2:00 PM | Closed Sat | Sun 10:00 AM -2:00 PM

Computer Labs
Davis Hall 101, Elizabeth Hall 205; Flagler Hall 311
Lynn Business Center (LBC) Ground Floor: LBC 317 & 319

<u>duPont-Ball Library</u>

# HOLISTIC WELLNESS

Holistic Wellness encompasses the health of the mind and body. Holistic Wellness provides activities and programs intended to help you relax and enjoy life. In case of medical emergency, call 911 immediately. If you are experiencing mental health difficulties, call Public Safety at 386-822-7300 and ask to speak with the on-call counselor.

#### COUNSELING CENTER

What is counseling? What can I expect? How can it help me? Will I be lying on a couch like people do in the movies? The Counseling Center offers a full range of services to support the entire campus community. If you are interested in beginning counseling or just need to speak with someone one time, consider making an appointment. Appointments are not required, but make it much easier to see someone quickly.

#### STETSON STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

<u>Stetson Health Service's</u> mission is to promote optimal health and wellness, disease prevention and provide quality health care that is appropriate, affordable, accessible and relevant. We strive to empower you to be self-directed and well-informed, and to continually improve the standards of health care.

#### Heath Insurance

To be sure, call the Member Customer Service phone number on the back of your insurance card. Ask them if services at Stetson Health Service will be covered and/or if Dr. Rainer Chan is in your plan. If you have an "HMO" (Health Maintenance Organization) type insurance, ask if they have a special exception you can set up for college students going out of area. If not, see if you can switch the primary care provider to Dr. Rainer Chan, otherwise you will need an authorization from your primary care provider each time you make an appointment with Stetson Health Service. If you have questions, call 386-822-8150 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-noon and 1:00-4:30 p.m.

#### Affordable Care Act

If you have questions about the Affordable Care Act, please view this ACA <u>infographic</u>. You may also refer to the American College Health Association's Resources on Affordable Care Act and Student Health Insurance <u>here</u>.

#### Immunization Requirements

University policy stipulates that all students, whether living on or off-campus, have certain immunizations or an immunization waiver on file with Stetson Health Service. Student Health Services strive to make students more aware of health-related issues in order to make them more self-directed and well informed concerning their health care.

#### Forms

You may be required to complete various forms from Stetson Health Service. Please check with the WORLD for guidance. Release of Medical Information

**Immunization** 

Immunization Exemption

#### WELLNESS AND RECREATION

Wellness and Recreation has a shared vision is to support Stetson University's core value of wellness by empowering the community to engage in purposeful initiatives that promote the mind, spirit and body. They do this by:

- Motivating the community to commit to a balanced and holistic way of life
- Providing student leadership and peer education
- Providing adventurist, competitive, fun and spirited sporting opportunities
- Implementing and advocating for inclusive, research-based initiatives
- Providing a student-oriented environment to engage in meaningful activities beyond the classroom

# **GET INVOLVED!**

#### **WORLD EVENTS**

Get involved in WORLD's activities! WORLD hosts different events over the course of the year aimed at increasing our community's knowledge of the globe. Activities range from Peace Day to Share Thanksgiving. To get involved, contact <u>WORLD@stetson.edu</u>. To see scholars in action, visit our <u>blog</u>.

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Do you have special skills and talents? Do you want to share knowledge of your country and culture with others? Then, get involved in the DeLand and surrounding community! The <u>Center for Community Engagement</u> at Stetson University has a number of projects and interesting volunteer opportunities for you to get involved and share your background and talents with others. The center plays the lead institutional role in directing a nationally recognized campus-wide community engagement program that is delivered through both curricular and co-curricular avenues. Contact <a href="mailto:cce@stetson.edu">cce@stetson.edu</a> or 386-822-8718.

#### OFFICE OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

The primary mission of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion (ODI) is to educate our campus community on issues relating to social identity development— in terms of *race and ethnicity, gender, sexuality, religion, socioeconomic status or ability* — and how those factors can impact one's college experience. The Cross Cultural Center is a safe space open to all university students, faculty, and staff. The center is home to the:

- Multicultural Student Council comprising 14 student organizations
- Interfaith Initiatives— cultivating interfaith cooperation and understanding through dialogue and service
- First-Generation Peer Mentor Program offering academic, social, and financial mentoring to first gen students
- Safe Zone— educating and developing awareness for LGBTQIA+ identities

For more information, email ODI@stetson.edu.

#### RELIGIOUS AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

Stetson welcomes religious and spiritual diversity. Our Chaplaincy's mission is to articulate, support, give witness to, and develop the religious and spiritual dimensions of life within the university setting, recognizing the plurality of religious traditions present; and to lead the community and its members to integrate these dimensions more fully in their lives. The <a href="Chaplains' Office">Chaplains' Office</a> is located in Griffin Hall. Each chaplains is available to all persons of all faiths—and to those with no religious affiliation—who wish to discuss concern or issues with their spirituality.

#### **COMMUNITY STANDARDS**

Stetson University endeavors to provide a living and learning environment in which students can meet their academic goals. The Office of Community Standards sets and enforces the Code of Community Standards, which govern how everyone on campus is expected to behave in order to facilitate that goal. The office also provides reporting mechanisms for violations of these and other standards. In any society, large or small, where people live in a community, there must be certain rules established to aid the safety, rights and freedom of all concerned. This is also true of Stetson University, a community that acknowledges the existence of both rights and responsibilities and is dedicated to personal and academic excellence. Community members are individually and collectively responsible for their behaviors. Violations of the Student Code of Community Standards should be reported. EthicsPoint offers a simple, anonymous way to confidentially report activities that may involve improper conduct, complaints around fraudulent activities, improper financial or human resource issues, working conditions, etc.

Report a Violation of the Student Code of Community Standards EthicsPoint Secure Reporting

# INTERNATIONAL SCHOLAR SUPPORT PROGRAMS

Below is a short list of programs and resources that will support your transition to, and growth while living at Stetson. Please feel free to participate in any or all of these. For more information, contact <u>WORLD@stetson.edu</u>.

Program	Information
English Conversation Group	This group provides a relaxed atmosphere for sharing experiences, thoughts, and feelings with a small group of international students and scholars. WORLD Ambassador facilitate the group. Come share your experiences with people who get what you are going through.
Small World Coffee Hour	This program provides an informal atmosphere in which to meet people from all over the world who share your international interests. Come take a break from your world enjoy free coffee or tea, and get to know your University colleagues.
Career Services	Free workshops and individual appointments provide valuable information about internships and career search best practices This office supports résumé writing, interview preparation, job fairs, and much more. Scholars are welcome and encouraged to use career services in their personal career development.
Tax Help for International Students and Scholars	Every spring, WORLD and the University's Finance office offers a combination of free workshops, software, and presentations designed to help foreign nationals determine their tax obligations and complete the necessary forms. Services are free to all visiting scholars.
Cultural Trips	Throughout the academic year, WORLD sponsors several local trips so international students and scholars can experience Florida. All international scholars are welcome to take apart in these trips. Perfect for meeting international scholars and students.
WORLD Class Lunch & Learn Series	A professional development series designed to explore and expand faculty/staff expertise in international education, these noontime discussions encourage the internationalization of Stetson's campus and curriculum and provide opportunities for sharing.
WORLD Open House	This event, hosted in the Fall, is a perfect time to meet and network with other faculty and staff.
WORLD Web Site	You can find a wide range of information—from visa regulations to newsletters and intercultural opportunities—published on the web.

