INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS

The Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS) is responsible for all immigration matters that affect international degree-seeking students, exchange students, and international visiting scholars and faculty attending or visiting USD on non-immigrant visas. The office is a centralized immigration advising office for all international students and scholars on campus.

In addition, OISS is also responsible for the welfare of USD’s international students and scholars and acts as a resource and support to these individuals in the transition to a new culture and environment. Student advising includes assistance with procedures, expectations, and requirements of the US academic system.

- Immigration Advising
- International Orientation Program
- International Student Orientation Leadership Program
- Health Insurance Enrollment Advising
- Career planning workshops
- Community Service
- International and US cultural & social events:
  - Weekly International Coffee Hours
  - Training and outreach to USD faculty on international student issues
  - International Education Week events
  - International Expo/Cultural Fashion Show
  - International Holiday Celebrations

Finally, the office fosters opportunities to promote and encourage cross-cultural understanding.

The Office of International Students and Scholars is housed in the International Center located in Serra Hall, Room 315; (619) 260-4598; go to OISS (http://www.sandiego.edu/oiss).