

# Spring 2007 Workshops for International Employees

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## How to Survive and Thrive in a Buffalo Winter

Come learn tips for preparing your body, car and home for a New York winter. Learn easy steps to prepare for a weather emergency and how to dress when you go outside on cold days.

*Presenters: Diane Hardy and Eric Comins, International Student & Scholar Services, UB*

Friday, January 19

3:00-4:00

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

## 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 20

9:00-3:30

Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

Saturday, February 17

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 24

3:00-4:00

Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

## 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 obtaining work authorization for spouses, permanent residency visa backlogs, processing times, and travel outside the U.S. while your case is pending.

*Presenter: Mark Popiel, Esq., Director, Immigration Services, UB*

Wednesday, January 31

4:00-5:30

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

Wednesday, February 21

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 6	12:00-1:00	Clemens Hall 120, North Campus
Tuesday, March 20	4:00-5:00	Capen Hall 31, North Campus
Wednesday, April 25	5:00-6:00	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: Mark Popiel, Esq., Director, Immigration Services, UB*

Wednesday, February 7	3:00-4:30	Capen Hall 31, North Campus
Wednesday, March 7	12:00-1:30	Capen Hall 31, North Campus
Wednesday, April 18	5:00-6:30	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: Mark Popiel, Esq., Director, Immigration Services, UB*

Wednesday, February 14	12:00-1:30	Capen Hall 31, North Campus
Wednesday, April 11	3:00-4:30	Capen Hall 31, North Campus

## Immigration: 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, True, Walsh and Miller, Ithaca, New York*

Friday, March 2	4:00-5:30	Kimball Tower 125, South Campus
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## How to Ship Your Stuff Home

Are you moving to another state or returning home? Come find out the best ways to ship your belongings. Find out about transportation options, rates, customs, packaging and so on.

*Presenters: Eric Comins, International Student & Scholar Services, and Representatives, UPS Store and U.S. Postal Service*

Wednesday, April 4

3:00-4:30

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 9

4:00-5:30

Clemens Hall 120, North Campus