Tax tips could save students problems

April showers may bring May flowers, but they also can bring the headaches of figuring out income taxes.

A University business professor gives the following tax tips to help students determine their income taxes — and keep their sanity.

To get money back, one thing is vital — students must file a return.

Furthermore, students must sign the form or the Internal Revenue Service will send it back. If students owe the IRS money, it will charge interest starting April 15.

If students file and claim an exemption for themselves, their parents also may claim them.

People with incomes under \$3,300 need not file a tax return. Married couples filing a joint return with incomes of less than \$5,400 need not file.

Single parents who are students can file as a head of household rather than single, which allows them a lower tax rate.

Scholarships and fellowships are not taxed.

Students can take a special deduction for moving expenses

incurred when moving from the University to their first job.

The IRS will correct any errors made in tax figuring. However, delays can be avoided by calling the IRS with any questions or consulting a tax preparing service.

Extensions of 60 days are granted automatically, but forms must be postmarked by April 15.

Editor to talk at library gala

"Native Americans and White Settlers in the 19th Century" will be the topic of a speech Monday by an editorial staff member of "American Heritage."

Alvin Josephy will deliver the speech at 7:30 p.m. in Gerlinger Lounge to commemorate the University library's centennial.

After graduating from Harvard, Josephy began his journalism career at the New York Herald-Tribune, then worked as a war correspondent and a screenwriter before being hired by the magazine, says Hilary Cummings, the University manuscripts curator. His main emphasis lies in the activities relating to American Indians — especially the Nez Perce. He also compiled a report on the Bureau of Indian Affairs during the Nixon Administration.

In conjunction with the speech, the library has obtained his manuscripts to aid research about Indians or about Josephy, says Cummings.

The 115 boxes of manuscripts will be available in the Oregon Collection on the second floor of the library for at least the rest of the term, she says.



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