

Immigration service makes policy change in paperwork

Document: The mail-in process could take as long as two months

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An upcoming change in U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service policy may leave many of the University's foreign students in a world of hurt this spring.

The immigration service requires some U.S. non-residents to obtain an Employment Authorization Document for several types of employment.

Traditionally, students could obtain the proper paperwork at the University and acquire the document by visiting the Portland immigration office. Under a nationwide rule change effective June 2, international students at the University who need the document must fill out a battery of forms and mail it to Lincoln, Neb.

The new process could take as long as two months, international student advisor Margo Ramsing said. Without the document many international University students will be unable to work in the United States and will have a difficult time finding work in the first place, she said.

The Office of International Education and Exchange will host an informational meeting on the new policy today in the EMU Ben Linder Room at 3:30 p.m.

People affected by the change include graduating students with F-1 visas, who need to work in the United States for practical training and University students with F-1 visas, who must work out of economic necessity. Dependents of University students and visiting scholars who have J-2 visas also need the employment document to be employed in the United States.

International students who need the employment document have until June 2 to go to Portland and avoid the two-month waiting period.

"It couldn't have come at a worse time," Ramsing said. "We hope [students that need the document] are all getting As so they can skip class during Dead Week" to go to the Portland immigration office before the June 2 change.

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No more tears



With masks on and mops in hand, Jen Williamson, ASUO president, and Jason Grigsby help clean up tear gas residue so residents of the house will be able to move back in before dead week and finals.

NATILE MONTGOMERY/Emerald

Powwow celebrates heritage of native people

Tradition: Drums, costumes and food highlight event

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The sound of feet stomping was heard in McArthur Court last weekend — but it was not a crowd cheering a basketball team to victory. It was a gathering of people carrying on the traditions of their Native American heritage.

The 27th annual powwow, sponsored by the Native American Student Union, is an opportunity to renew old friendships and create new ones. The two-day event brought a few hundred people to Mac Court on Saturday and Sunday.

The rhythmic beat of the drum echoed throughout the building. In the program the drum is described as, "The center of the powwow religion, thought and feeling. It is the soul of Native peoples. Without the drummers and singers there can be no powwow."

It transformed the court into a place of celebration.

People danced in ornate outfits — called regalia — of feathers, bells, fringe and bright colors. Children licked their fingers as they ate fry bread, a deep fried flour dough smothered to one's liking in butter, jam and honey. Vendors sold their wares of jewelry, dolls, moccasins and books.

The University's spring powwow is a tradition for Heidi Webb and her family, residents

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■ GOOD MORNING

► **SKOWHEGAN, Maine (AP)** — Margaret Chase Smith, the first woman to serve in both the House and Senate and a voice of conscience for fellow Republicans when she spoke out against the anti-communist witch hunts of the 1950s, died Monday. She was 97.

Smith died at her home from complications from a stroke that had put her in a coma eight days earlier, said a spokeswoman from the Margaret Chase Smith Library in Skowhegan.

"The Lady from Maine," known by her trademark red rose, emerged as one of the most powerful and respected figures in Congress in her three decades there. She briefly ran for president in 1964.

Smith's knack of mirroring the views of the common people — and expressing them clearly and succinctly — endeared her to voters of both parties. Until her defeat in 1972 by Democrat William D. Hathaway, voters returned her to Washington with solid majorities.

She got into politics as secretary to her husband, Clyde H. Smith, and won election to his House seat after he died. She

served four terms in the House, 1941-49, and four in the Senate, 1949-73.

Smith, a ranking member of the Senate Armed Services Committee from 1967-1973, was the first woman elected to the Senate without having been appointed to fill a vacancy and the first Republican woman senator.

In addition, she was the first woman placed in nomination for president at a major party convention.

► **REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP)** — A man was charged with assault and kidnapping after driving for nearly an hour on a busy highway while his girlfriend clung to the top of his car.

The woman, whose name was withheld, suffered cuts and bruises but was not seriously injured.

Police said Frank Bamba, 23, argued with his girlfriend Saturday and then got in his van to drive away. His girlfriend jumped on the bumper to stop him, but he kept driving. Then she climbed on top of the van as Bamba drove down busy U.S. Highway 101, police said.

Oregon athlete arrested after argument with police

Charge: McLemore will be arraigned today in Portland

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Oregon wide receiver Cristin McLemore will be arraigned this afternoon in Multnomah County District Court on a charge of disorderly conduct.

McLemore, who will be a senior in the fall, and a friend were arrested Sunday following an argument with Portland police. McLemore and his companion, both pedestrians, began arguing with an officer who had made a traffic stop at about 2:30 a.m. The argument escalated and more officers were called to the scene.

McLemore's "aggressive" behavior continued after his arrest and he had to be "further restrained," said Lt. C.W. Jensen, Portland Police Bureau spokesman.

McLemore was lodged at the Multnomah County Detention Center. He was released at about 8 a.m. Sunday on his

own recognizance, a jail spokeswoman said.

Oregon football coach Mike Bellotti told a reporter Sunday he would not comment on the incident. However, Dave Williford, assistant sports information director, said Bellotti had spoken to McLemore on Monday and would wait to get full details of the incident before making any disciplinary decisions.

If McLemore is convicted, he could face suspension from the Oregon football team, Williford said.

McLemore, from Huntington Beach, Calif., caught 42 passes last season, including 10 against Penn State in the Rose Bowl. He holds the Oregon record for career touchdown receptions. The AP contributed to this story.



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