The Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS) serves as the primary support unit for international students who study, conduct research or teach at Michigan State University (MSU). OISS has a long tradition of hosting academic visitors from abroad and their children as an important part of the MSU campus culture.

The OISS staff brings a wealth of experience to the issues that international students and scholars commonly encounter. It is a privilege for the OISS staff to be part of the international community. The services that OISS provides include:

- Advising on and facilitating completion with U.S. immigration regulations.
- Conducting orientations and other special programming that help international students and scholars integrate into and adjust to the academic, cultural and social environment.
- Serving as a liaison with U.S. government agencies, foreign embassies, consulates, and educational foundations that support international students and scholars.

Contributing to the internationalization of MSU by providing opportunities for growth through cross-cultural experiences.

OISS strives to advance knowledge and transform lives. The President’s Baldrige by Design Initiative gives new emphasis on expanding MSU’s international reach. Friendship societies continue to be transformed and OISS connects the world’s community in several ways.

The weekly Coffee Hour is a popular tradition and provides an opportunity for friendship and networking with people from all parts of the world. The International Friendship Programs organized by Community Volunteers Partners for International Development (CVP) offers opportunities for cross-cultural friendships. For a full list of activities, please visit the OISS Calendar of Events at www.oiss.msu.edu.

This brochure provides some highlights on international students at MSU. You can find a more comprehensive statistics report on the OISS website at www.oiss.msu.edu.

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