International Resources

Responsible University Office:
Joe B. Hinton Office of Global Programs (GPO)

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The mission of the Joe B. Hinton Office of Global Programs (GPO) is multifaceted as it fulfills a mandate to provide the campus a fully integrated and comprehensive international support architecture, which at a minimum includes: recruiting, study abroad, risk assessment and management, international student and scholar services (please see below), international student retention activities, community outreach, advancement activities, and student advocacy.

- The GPO provides information, assistance, and scholarships for academically sound international studies programs that help students develop their understanding of international/multicultural issues in a changing world.
- The GPO assists faculty members in developing new faculty-led study abroad programs, while achieving broader involvement of faculty across various disciplines and countries of engagement.
- International protocol advice and assistance for visiting dignitaries; the Global Programs Office can assist with seating arrangements and diagrams, flag displays and similar areas of support.

The International Student and Scholar Service Office (ISSSO), a part of the Global Programs Office, serves international students, faculty, staff, and their family members. The ISSSO assists international students and faculty in their transition to life in the United States and at our university, offers help in maintaining immigration status, and works to enhance the global awareness of the A&M-Commerce community. The ISSO strives to provide services to meet the needs of international students and faculty by helping with advisement for cultural adjustment; comprehensive orientation for all new and transfer international students and faculty; cultural and education programs; employment authorization; immigration advising; and serving as a liaison for faculty, staff, and members of the university community.