

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT 101 TAXES



U.S. TAX RESPONSIBILITIES



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ABOUT THE U.S. TAX SYSTEM

All International students on F and J visas must complete a tax form each year for their first five calendar years in the U.S.

During these first five calendar years, international students on F and J visas will file tax forms as Nonresident Aliens.

Nonresident Alien is a category used for tax filing purposes only. It is not related to your immigration status.



Nonresident Aliens must print and mail tax forms.

If you receive U.S. income (wages from an on-campus job and/or taxable scholarships) U.S. income taxes will be withheld from your checks.

If you work on-campus, you must complete the [UNT System Foreign National Form](#).

- This form will remain on file with the UNT System Tax Office to ensure the correct amount of estimated taxes are withheld from your checks.
- Contact [UNT System Tax Office](#) for assistance

To file income from wages, you need an [SSN](#).

To file income from taxable scholarships, you need an [ITIN](#).

- Contact [International Student and Scholar Services](#) for assistance

**THE TAX YEAR
RUNS FROM
JANUARY 1
TO DECEMBER 31
EACH YEAR**

Tax Forms are due the following year on April 15.

For example, 2022 tax forms are prepared and mailed to the IRS by April 15, 2023.

Tax Forms are sent to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in Austin, Texas.



WHEN YOU FILE YOUR ANNUAL TAX FORM, THE EXACT AMOUNT OF TAX DUE IS CALCULATED.



- **You may get a tax refund** - too much was withheld from your checks.
- **You may owe additional taxes** - too little was withheld from your checks.

Many students ask WHY taxes are withheld from their checks in the first place. Taxes are unavoidable in the U.S., even for international students. If you earn U.S. income, you will pay U.S. taxes on that income.



HOW UNT CAN HELP

UNT International Affairs has contracted with GLACIER Tax Prep (GTP).

- **GTP provides U.S. Federal Tax Form assistance to international students filing as nonresident aliens at UNT.**
- **GTP is a web-based program created for international students**
- GTP provides **step-by-step instructions** to prepare tax forms.
- GTP will guide you through the required forms (Form 8843 and/or Form 1040-NR) based on your personal situation.
- GTP includes **video tutorials**, Live Q&A sessions, an FAQ, and tax advisor assistance.

UNT does not provide tax advice. Please address all tax-related questions to GTP.



GLACIER TAX PREP (GTP) NONRESIDENT ALIEN TAX EXPERTS



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Tax Assistance from
LIVE Tax Professionals...
NOT a Software Programmer

Not All Tax Professionals Understand the
Complexities of Nonresident Alien Tax Issues . . .
That's All We Do!



GLACIER TAX PREP (GTP) NONRESIDENT ALIEN TAX EXPERTS

What does **GTP** do?



Confirm



Review



Calculate



Complete

- Confirm Nonresident Alien Tax Status
- Review **ALL** Income Tax Treaties for Exemptions
- Review **ALL** Eligible Deductions, Allowances, and Credits
- Calculate Tax **REFUND** (or Tax Due)
- Complete **ALL** Required FEDERAL Tax Documents -- including ITIN Application



GLACIER TAX PREP ACCESS CODES



- **GTP access codes will be sent to your EagleConnect/UNT email address MID-MARCH.**
- The access code allows you to utilize GTP at no cost.
- Access codes are limited.
- If the access code limit is reached, GTP charges users a minimal fee.
- Once your tax forms are completed, you will print the documents and mail (with payment if taxes are due) to the IRS in Austin by April 15. GTP will provide a detailed checklist of forms to print and where to send the documents.



PRINT & MAIL TAX FORMS

**Documents may be mailed from Eagle Post on the first floor of the UNT Union.
Be sure to include postage.**

Your Name
Your Street Address
Your City, State ZipCode



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Austin, TX 73301-0002



GTP ELIGIBILITY

GTP is for international students on F & J visas filing as nonresident aliens.

GTP includes a substantial presence test to determine alien status (nonresident alien or resident alien.) These alien categories are for tax filing purposes only. They are not related to your immigration status. International students on F & J visas are exempt from the substantial presence test their first five calendar years in the U.S..

- If it is determined that you are a nonresident alien, continue with GTP
- **Nonresident aliens cannot file online. Documents must be printed and mailed to the IRS.**
- If it is determined that you are a resident alien, you will not be able to continue with GTP



TAX FORMS & REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENTS YOU MAY NEED:

- Form W-2 shows income from wages and taxes paid.
 - This form is provided by your employer by January 31.
- Form 1042-S shows income from taxable scholarships and tax treaty exemptions.
 - Less than 3% of international students will receive Form 1042-S.
 - Form 1042-S is only for TAXABLE scholarships (Scholarships in excess of tuition)
 - You will not receive Form 1042-S for a tuition waiver.
 - Form 1042-S is mailed by the UNT System Tax Office to your address on file.
- Form 1099 shows income from miscellaneous work.
 - This form is provided by employers for contract work. For example, working as an independent contractor on CPT

TAX FORMS TO COMPLETE, PRINT & MAIL:

- Form 8843 is an informational statement.
 - All F & J Visa holders filing as nonresident aliens must file Form 8843 their first 5 calendar years in the U.S.
- Form 1040NR is an income tax form.
 - You file this form if you received U.S. Income (wages and taxable scholarships)



IMPORTANT!

THIS PRESENTATION IS MEANT TO BE A GENERAL INTRODUCTION.

UNT DOES NOT PROVIDE TAX ADVICE.

VIOLATIONS OF U.S. TAX LAW MAY IMPACT FUTURE IMMIGRATION STATUS.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS) WILL NEVER CONTACT YOU BY EMAIL OR TEXT MESSAGE.

IF YOU ARE CONTACTED BY THE IRS AND ARE UNSURE IF IT IS A REAL REQUEST OR NOT, CONTACT ISSS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



ADDITIONAL TAX FILING OPTIONS

- [United Way VITA Program](#)

- Call ahead to request assistance for nonresident alien tax filing.
- This service is free.

- **Sprintax** is like GLACIER Tax Prep and provides tax form preparation assistance for nonresident alien tax filing.

- **Tax professionals and tax accountants** can assist with taxes. Fees vary.



FINAL NOTES

- **GLACIER TAX PREP IS DESIGNED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ON F, J, M, AND Q VISAS.**
- **WITHOUT AN ACCESS CODE, GLACIER TAX PREP WILL COST \$39.**
- **DO NOT USE TURBO TAX OR ANY OTHER PROGRAM TO FILE FORMS ONLINE UNLESS YOU PASS THE SUBSTANTIAL PRESENCE TEST AND YOUR TAX FILING STATUS IS RESIDENT ALIEN.**



QUESTIONS?

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