

Dear international student,

As an international student in the US, it's important that you understand the tax requirements of your visa and your filing obligations with the IRS.

If you did not work or receive any income in the US, you are legally obliged to file the Form 8843. If you worked or received a stipend, grant or allowance in the USA (over a certain amount) you may also need to file the Form 1040NR.

SUNY Stony Brook University Graduate Student Organization has arranged **free access** to **Sprintax** Tax Preparation, which will guide you through the tax preparation process, prepare the necessary documents and even check if you are due a refund.

Sprintax was used by over 94,000 international students and scholars last year, and the average Federal refund received (by those eligible) was over **\$1,000**.

All you need to do is:

- 1. <u>Register</u> and follow the simple instructions
- 2. Complete the online questionnaire
- 3. Enter the unique code SSTBRU2017B in the box on the 'Review your order' page
- 4. Sprintax will prepare your tax return.



As a reminder, you have to print, sign and mail your documents once you complete the preparation process in Sprintax.

If you have any questions, please use the live chat function on Sprintax and their team will be happy to help.

All the best/Kind regards etc.