

Checklist for International WWOOF Co-ops

- ☐ Valid Passport that will not expire within 6 months of the start of your co-op. Must apply for new passport at least 6 weeks before applying for visa(s). Application forms and instructions available in the co-op office.
- ☐ Apply to the WWOOF organization that you want to co-op with (see the website at <http://www.woof.org/home.asp>, <http://www.woof.org/national.asp> or <http://www.woof.org/wlist.asp>). Some students choose to co-op on one farm while others travel from farm to farm and work on as many as six or seven farms over the course of one co-op.
 - ☐ Research the WWOOF list that you receive and prioritize the farm(s) you want to work with.
 - ☐ Contact the farm(s) you would like to work on.
 - ☐ Get confirmation(s) from the farm or first two or three farms.
- ☐ Visa(s) when required. Apply at least 4 weeks before leaving for co-op. Ask international co-op advisor for details. Most students wwoof on tourist visas.
- ☐ International Student Id. Card (ISIC). Apply for ISIC at the AEA office on the 3rd floor of main building east side. Cost \$22 plus one passport sized photo.
- ☐ Register for co-op
 - ☐ Id from WWOOF organization
 - ☐ confirmations from first two or three farms
 - ☐ short list of other farms you might work with (itinerary)
- ☐ Apply for co-op scholarships if necessary. Apply before 9th week in fall or spring for spring or summer co-ops and before the end of second block of summer term for fall co-ops.
- ☐ Shots - See your doctor and the Center for Disease Control website (<http://www.cdc.gov/travel/destinat.htm>) to decide on which shots to get. Some health information is available in the co-op office for some regions. See your doctor at least 6 weeks before your co-op. Some shots are available through the Greene County Combined Health District in Xenia, 937-374-5600. **Most doctors recommend tetanus shots for people doing farm work.**
- ☐ Health insurance (see Dean of Students office for details).
- ☐ Additional travel insurance (optional). The ISIC card provides basic travel insurance.
- ☐ Airline tickets
 - ☐ Check accuracy of ticket and luggage regulations.
 - ☐ Give co-op department a copy of your airline travel itinerary.
- ☐ Travelers' cheques and small amount of US dollars in small bills.
- ☐ Shop for SMALL *inexpensive* (\$2) gifts for host families (if applicable).
- ☐ First days and nights logistics
 - ☐ Get info on ground transport from airport and to WWOOF site(s)
 - ☐ Book first night(s) hotel or hostel
- ☐ Inform appropriate friends and family of how to get in touch with you while on co-op.