Completing Form 8843: for MOST F-1 Students Who Had No U.S. Source Income in the prior calendar year, year, this is the ONLY form needed. For more information, please refer to IRS Instructions for Form 8843

## DOWNLOAD FORM 8843 FOR EACH YEAR FROM WWW.IRS.GOV (search 8843 and year needed)

Be sure to make a photocopy of your Form 8843 for your records before mailing it to the IRS. It is often necessary to refer to a previous year's tax return or to produce evidence that you submitted a tax return for a previous year. You should keep copies of your tax returns for at least seven years.

Mail your completed Form 8843 to: Internal Revenue Service Center, Austin, Texas 73301-0215. You can NOT file this form electronically, you must mail the paper form.

The deadline for mailing your 8843: for the prior calendar year is April 15th of the current year."

This is a general guide to the completion of Form 8843, needed for ANY nonresident F-1, including those who had NO U.S. source income in the prior calendar year, to meet his or her the prior calendar year federal income tax filing requirement. (If you had interest income from a U.S. bank account, you may still use this form. U.S. bank interest received by nonresidents is considered foreign source income.)

**Name and Social Security Number:** Write these at the top of Form 8843 in the space provided. Write your first/given name or names as they appear on your I-20. Do not use Initials. "Your U.S. taxpayer ID Number" is a Social Security Number or ITIN. NOT REQUIRED IF YOU DON'T HAVE IT.

\*Address in country of residence box means your non-US, overseas residence. Please fill in the residence address in your home tax country (where you are a citizen or where you reside and would usually pay any taxes)."

## **PART I: General Information**

**Lines 1a-4a:** Fill in these lines as indicated (Canadians may leave passport number blank if not known.) For 4a count the number of days you were in the U.S. in each of the last 3 full calendar years as accurately as you can with the aid of the U.S. entry stamps in your passport or the "View Travel Dates" listed on 194 - Official Website and enter the totals for each year in Line 4a.

**Line 4b:** Enter here the number of days that you were present in the U.S. in the last calendar year in F or J status. In most cases, this will be the same as the total number of days you were present in the U.S. in that same year in Line 4a.

PART II: If you were a J-1 Scholar, Researcher, or Au Pair, contact your program for help.

## PART III: To be filled in by F-1 students

Line 9: Write here "Montgomery College, Rockville MD 20850; (240) 567-5043."

**Line 10:** Write here the name and phone number of the International Coordinator you usually work with, at the main College address: 51, Mannakee St. Rockville MD 20850.

**Line 11:** Indicate the visa type(s) that you used in the U.S. for the years requested.

**Line 12:** If you can answer yes to this question and you wish for some reason to continue to be considered a non-resident alien for U.S. income tax purposes, please see a tax advisor. Students in the United States more than five years must, in almost all cases, be considered resident taxpayers. Students who are resident taxpayers usually pay less income tax but are subject to Social Security and Medicare taxes on most earned income.)

**Lines 13-14:** Answer no, unless you or someone on your behalf filed a labor certification application, a petition for permanent residence, an immigrant visa application or an application for adjustment of status during the last calendar year. (If you entered the U.S. permanent residence (DV) lottery but did not win, you should also answer no.)

Skip to the bottom of page 2; sign and date the form where indicated. (Leave Parts IV and V blank.) If you are sending this with a 1040NR or NR-EZ you do not need to sign here.