

STEP 1: Log in to Compass online at http://compass.uga.edu. You will use your UGA MyID and password to access the Compass system.

iStart

Immigration Services

Welcome to **iSTART**, the University of Georgia's portal for benefit applications relating to international students, scholars, faculty, and staff at the University of Georgia.

COMING SOON: On March 2, iStart will be getting a new look and feel. The new portal will be called Compass, and will have all the same e-forms and features that you have used in iStart.

Current International Students, Scholars, and Faculty

For full access to your international services account, please log in.

Login

A Network ID and password are required.

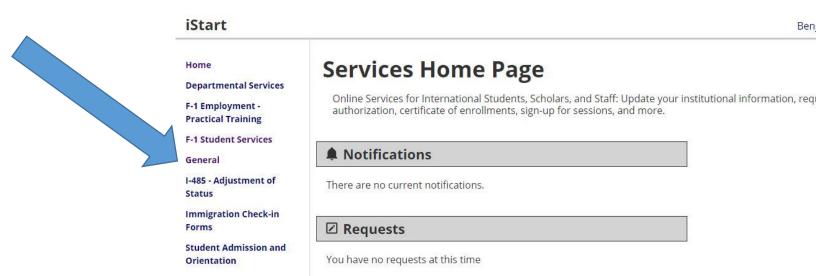
Prospective International Students, Scholars, and Faculty

New and future students and scholars can log in with their University ID number, PIN, and date of birth.

New Student/Scholar Login



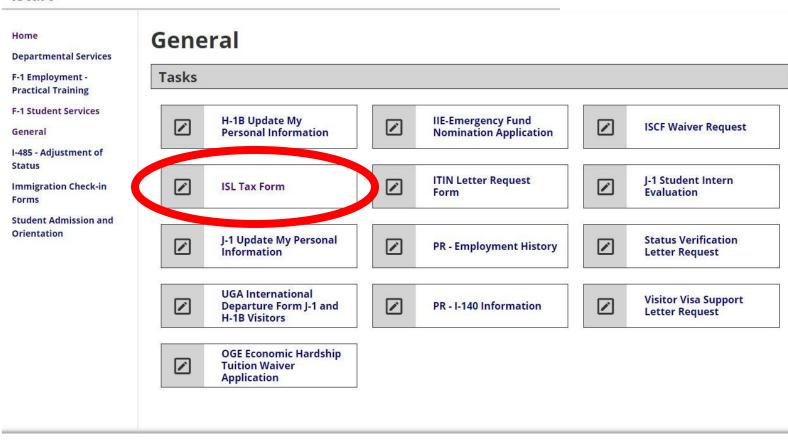
Step 2: Select 'General' on the left-hand menu.





Step 3: Click on 'ISL Tax Form' which will generate the ISL Tax Form for you to submit. This form helps us determine what your tax filing obligation may be.

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Step 4: Enter your UGA email address and answer the questions on the form. Note that different questions will generate based on your answer to the previous question.

ISL Tax Form (*) Information Required Sprintax will help you determine your tax residency status and prepare the federal and state tax forms for 2019. UGA offers the Sprintax software to assist Students and Exchange Visitors with filing these federal and state tax forms. The software will determine if you are a resident or nonresident for tax purposes and help you through the process of completing your tax documents if you are considered a nonresident for tax purposes. UGA offers a discounted federal tax filing through the Sprintax software, and discounted state tax filing, if you choose to use the software to complete and file your state tax forms. This form will be processed within 3 business days. Reminder: If you received income in 2019 your federal and state tax returns must be postmarked by April Please enter your UGA email address:* isltax@uga.edu 2019 Information Were you in the United States between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019? * Were you any of the following at UGA in 2019: employee, student, scholar, student-intern, or OPT/OPT STEM extension holder?* O No Yes Did you receive any pay, fellowship, or scholarship that pays for room, board, fees or other non-tuition expenses in 2019?* Yes O No Do you have (or have you applied for) a Social Security Number (SSN) or Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)? Yes No

Please submit this form to receive the Sprintax access code via e-mail. Thank you!

Save Draft

Submit



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Each student's situation and answers will be unique to their own experience here at UGA. Please do not concern yourself with your friend's, classmate's, or peers' answers and/or next steps provided by the system. <u>Each student has a different situation</u> based on their employment and/or tax residency status.
- As you complete the form, the system will provide you instructions on what to do next. When you have reached an ending point, the system determines your instructions based on the way you answer each subsequent question.
- You MUST press "SUBMIT" when you receive your instructions. This allows us to track your progress through the tax program.
- Possible instructions could be:
 - Not eligible for ITAP assistance due to your residency during the tax year in question.
 - Only 8843 needs to be completed due to not earning any reportable income or scholarships.
 - SSN/ITIN needed to complete the ITAP process.
 - Eligible for Sprintax code and ITAP assistance.

Regardless of the instructions you receive, be sure to press SUBMIT and ISL will email you with more instructions with 3 business days.