

**What is I.S.A.?**

I.S.A. stands for International Student Association. I.S.A.'s primary objective is to promote cultural awareness and understanding on and around campus. Since UH Hilo is a campus where one will find students from all over the world, it provides a great opportunity for students to share and appreciate different cultures.

**Who can be a member of I.S.A.?**

Any enrolled student at UH Hilo and/or Hawai'i Community College is eligible to be a member of I.S.A. I.S.A. is one of the few campus organizations that remains active throughout the entire year.

**Do I.S.A. members have to pay a membership fee?**

YES. All members have to pay a membership fee which is \$1.00 per semester. The reason for I.S.A.'s membership fee is so that it can provide better academic and social activities to its members.

**How and when can one become an officer of I.S.A.**

Any member of I.S.A. is eligible to run for office. Elections are held during the first week of May and the term of office is one year (i.e. the Fall and Spring semester).

**What are some of the major activities sponsored by I.S.A.?**

I.S.A. sponsors two major events every academic year. During the Fall semester, I.S.A. sponsors the United Nations Day when students from different countries and islands wear their traditional costume and have a parade on campus. This provides an opportunity for people to find out more about the United Nations and other countries. It also gives students an opportunity to observe everyday lifestyle of people from different places.

During the Spring semester, I.S.A. sponsors International Nights. During this event, students from different countries dress in their traditional costumes and perform other aspects of traditional culture for the community. This event attracts a large number of people from Hilo and provides an opportunity for them to see and understand some important aspects of life of people from other countries and islands.

**Would the duties and responsibilities of being an I.S.A. officer interfere with my studies?**

Since the officers are students of UH Hilo/HawCC, studies are given the first priority. But when a student decides to run for office, he/she must keep in mind that there are certain responsibilities associated with the position. These duties are often carried out with the assistance of I.S.A. members. All officers constitute the executive board which meets weekly to jointly plan upcoming events.

**What are some of the benefits of being an I.S.A. member?**

- Making new friends from different countries
- Becoming familiar with the campus by being involved in university-wide activities
- Planning and participating in social and cultural events
- Forming study groups and providing a supportive academic environment
- Developing leadership and organizational skills

**How do I become a member?**

Simply complete the attached application form and submit it along with \$1.00 membership fee to the International Student Services Building room 118. You will then be contacted by an I.S.A. officer informing you of the next upcoming I.S.A. event.



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**International Student Association Membership Application Form**  
*-Please print clearly!-*

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