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## Clerk of Courts Offers Free Passport Photos to OSU Study Abroad Students

Columbus, Ohio (Aug. 9, 2017) — The Franklin County Clerk of Courts' office is teaming up with The Ohio State University Office of International Affairs to offer a voucher for a free on-site passport photo (\$10 value) to all student attendees of the university's Education Abroad Expo on Sept. 14, 2017, in the Archie Griffin East Ballroom at the Ohio Union.

"It's important to be able to offer this service free-of-charge to students interested in exploring the world through education," said Franklin County Clerk of Courts Maryellen O'Shaughnessy. "The experiences these students gain from studying abroad will be some of the most influential in their lives, and we're happy to be a part of it."

Vouchers will be available at the Clerk of Courts' table on the day of the event. Students must redeem the voucher in-person with a valid student BuckID at the One-Stop Passport Shop, located in the General Division at 345 S. High St. in downtown Columbus, to receive their free passport photo. Vouchers will be accepted through Oct. 6, 2017.

Prospective attendees can visit <u>oia.osu.edu/study-abroad-expo</u> to learn more about the OSU Education Abroad Expo, as well as <u>clerk.franklincountyohio.gov/passports</u> for more information regarding the passport application process including rates, restrictions and downloadable application forms.

The Franklin County Clerk of Courts Office manages all documentation filed in the Court of Common Pleas and the 10th District Court of Appeals, processes vehicular titles, accepts U.S. passport applications, and records notaries public's commissions. Staff strives to be timely, accurate and courteous in service to all customers. For annual reports, quarterly newsletters and past press releases, visit <u>https://clerk.franklincountyohio.gov</u>.