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**Keiser University’s Miami Campus Serves as an IRS Tax Preparation Site**

***Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program will be offered through April 15***

Miami, FL—Feb. 9, 2015 — From Jan. 21 through April 15, Keiser University’s Miami campus will be participating in the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA), in partnership with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). This tax preparation service is being offered free by Keiser University students as a benefit to the community.

The IRS offers free tax help, through the VITA Program, to taxpayers who qualify. Students, in the Accounting and Business programs at the Miami campus of Keiser University, who wished to participate in this program were required by the IRS to pass an examination and are now certified to prepare tax returns. A faculty member was also certified by the IRS and will always be present on site anytime the public is at the campus for tax preparation.

“Community service is a part of Keiser University’s mission, so this is an exceptional opportunity for our accounting and business students to put into practice the skills they learn in their program while providing a service to the community,” said Dr. Gary Markowitz, Campus President. “This is the fourth year our students will be participating in this program and our campus is working closely with the City of Sweetwater to ensure their residents are aware this service is available to them.”

The Miami campus is located at 2101 NW 117 Avenue in Miami. The campus will be have tax preparation available on Wednesday’s from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday’s from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**About Keiser University:** Keiser University is a private, not-for-profit university serving nearly 20,000 students pursuing doctoral through associate degrees on 17 campuses, online and internationally, employing 3,500 staff and faculty.

Sixty-two percent of KU students graduate in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and healthcare fields, providing the talented workforce necessary for Florida to compete globally. Over 20 percent of Keiser University students are members of the armed services, veterans, or military family members.

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