IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR USERS OF GLACIER TAX PREP (GTP)

Withholding reported on Form 1042-S

The IRS 2015 Instructions for Form 1040NR-EZ, line 18b [and for Form 1040NR, line 62d] say, "Enter on line 18b [62d] the total amount shown as federal income tax withheld [under chapter 3 or 4] on Form(s) 1042-S. The amount(s) withheld should be shown in box 10 of your Form(s) 1042-S."

The University (UMCP) issues Forms 1042-S with the amount withheld shown in box 7 (Federal tax withheld), and nothing in box 10.

GLACIER Tax Prep (GTP) allows data entry into only certain lines or boxes on their versions of IRS forms. For Form 1042-S, GTP allows the amount withheld to be entered only into box 10 (Total withholding credit).

Please be advised that when using GTP the amount shown in box 7 of Form 1042-S should be entered into box 10 of the corresponding GTP copy of Form 1042-S. This will allow you to receive the appropriate credit for the amount of federal tax withheld.

If you have already filed a tax return for 2015 that did not show the amount of federal tax withheld (as reported on Form 1042-S) on Form 1040NR-EZ, line 18b, or on Form 1040NR, line 62d, you can file an amended return (Form 1040X) to get a refund of that amount. Instructions for doing that are on GTP's FAQ page under "Other Issues," in the answer to "What If I Filed the Wrong Tax Return in a Previous Year?" The Graduate School's Tax Assistance Program (TAP) also can help you.

If you have questions about completing your tax forms, please click the link below for more information about the Graduate School's TAP.

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