Starting on May 11th the Slutzker Center for International Services will switch to summer hours. We will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00am - 4:30pm

To accommodate student requests at this busy time of the semester, we will have additional Travel Seminars from April 27th until May 8th.

- Monday, 4/27 and 5/4 @ 2:00pm
- Tuesday, 4/28 and 5/5 @ 5:00pm
- Wednesday, 4/29 and 5/6 @ 1:30pm
- Thursday, 4/30 and 5/7 @ 12:00pm
- Friday, 5/1 and 5/8 @ 9:00am

Also we will have additional Practical Training Seminars, which will be scheduled every Wednesday from April 22nd until May 27th.

- Curricular Practical Training (CPT) – 3:00pm
- Optional Practical Training (OPT) – 3:45pm

Students who are planning to do an Internship this summer should apply for Curricular Practical Training (CPT).

If you would like to request Practical Training authorization after your May graduation please attend an OPT seminar. Also, you can find all the necessary OPT information and the application process here.

Graduate Students who are intending to graduate this May 2009 must complete the File Diploma Request process in MySlice by established deadlines, published as http://gradsch.syr.edu/pdfs/GraduationDeadlines.pdf by the Graduate School. This will activate the certification process and awarding of your degree.

- The Library’s summer hours are now posted on the web at http://library.syr.edu/information/hours/
- LibraryHoursSummer2009.html

The Syracuse International Film Festival
April 24 - May 3

The Syracuse International Film Festival is proud to announce the opening of advanced sales for SYRFFILMFEST’09. All international films are shown with English subtitles unless otherwise noted. Not all programming is appropriate for children under 14. For more details and information about the movies please follow the link: http://www.syrfilmfest.com/films/

Important dates to remember:

May 1, 2009
Visual Technologies Drive-In - Montgomery Street - Free!

May 2, 2009
New Technologies in Animation with Disney/Pixar’s "Up"

May 2, 2009
Filmmaker Awards Party - MOST - Los Blancos
May 3, 2009  
Closing Event - World's Greatest Dad and Party - Palace Theater and Ohm Lounge  

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Programming Updates!!  

Saturday May 2nd  
PIXAR'S New Technologies in Animation -> FEATURING THE LEAD ANIMATOR FROM THEIR NEW FILM "UP"  
Where else can you sit down and speak with one of the creators of the most entertaining animations in the world? Listen to Scott speak about what it takes to bring one of these animations to your TV screen. Only at SYRFILMFEST'09!!!  

Filmmaker's Awards Party  
Sponsored by the Rums of Puerto Rico  
This is what it is all about. Every filmmaker in town will be here. All waiting to find out the judging results to see if they take home top prize. Best part is YOU can be part of that exciting experience. Listen to the incredible music of LOS BLANCOS and sip on rum sponsored by Puerto Rico, for a truly out of this world experience. You MUST be here.  

Sunday May 3rd  
World's Greatest Dad  
Must we say more? Bobcat Goldthwait. Robin Williams. Straight from Sundance. Straight to Syracuse. If you miss this, you will definitely regret it!!!!  

Don't forgot to check out our other programming under the Films/Programs/Events section online at www.syrfilmfest.com  

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6th Annual SYRACUSE KOREAN FILM FESTIVAL  
Free Admission / English Subtitles  
HBC Kittridge Auditorium  

Korean Cine Forum, associated with the department of Transmedia/Film and Korean Student Association of Syracuse University, would like to present the Syracuse Korean Film Festival (SKFF). It is scheduled between April 16 ~ 18 and it will be held in the HBC Kittredge Auditorium at Syracuse University . The main goal of the Syracuse Korean Film Festival is to introduce unique contemporary Korean cinema to the Syracuse community, thereby enhancing a cultural understanding among the SU and local ethnic communities, and give people a chance to experience cultural differences between the Third World cinema and US/Hollywood cinema through the films. Selected films have received awards from some prominent international film festivals and will be presented with English subtitles. I am sure that it must be a great opportunity to understand Korea through the films because they reflect Korean culture, society and history in each of them. This event is not only intended for Korean audience but also for people who are eager to enjoy the uniqueness of Korean cinema.  

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English Conversation Program:  

A limited number of English conversation leaders have offered to continue with the weekly meetings during the summer months.  
In order to participate, we ask anyone interested to fill out the blue Request form at the downstairs desk at the Slutzker Center before next Thursday, May 7th.  
Riet DeKleermaeker (Coordinator English Conversation Program) will inform you by e-mail about the time and day for the meeting. Meetings should start any day after May 21st.  

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An Afternoon in the United Nations Headquarters – A Special Site Visit for Japanese Students  

The United Nations has been making efforts to recruit qualified Japanese citizens since Japan is one of the countries where the number of staff within the organization is underrepresented. This career-educational site visit is part of the efforts to increase the awareness of and interests in opportunities among talented Japanese citizens for the future.
When: Thursday, May 7, 2009
What time: 11:00 AM – 3:30 PM
*You have to be able to meet with the group on time in order to enter the building.
Where: New York City
Who can attend: Japanese college undergraduate and graduate students

RSVP IS REQUIRED to Satomi Yaji Chudasama at schudas@princeton.edu. Space is limited, so reply early!
In your RSVP, please include the following information: Name, School, Class Level (i.e. senior), Major (if any), citizenship (if not Japanese) and, if any, questions or special interests. All classes are welcome!
Sponsored by the United Nations Outreach Unit and Princeton University Career Services.

Volunteer Opportunity:
Ten Tons of Love, SU's annual end of the year donation drive, is fast approaching! Last year's effort was a record-setting success thanks to the hard work of volunteers. This year’s campaign runs April 27-May 15; volunteers are needed each day for on-campus loading and moving of donated items.

Loading and Moving: (9 a.m.-1 p.m., Meet at Hendricks Chapel, Chaplain's Suite, 005) Volunteers will meet at Hendricks Chapel at 9 a.m. and travel to the residence halls to load donated items for transport to First English Lutheran Church. Transportation and lunch are provided.*This opportunity involves some heavy lifting.

This year’s collection drive takes place April 27 – May 15. On-campus pickup ends on May 11.
To help, please register online at http://tentons.syr.edu. Please email Darya Rotblat at darotbla@syr.edu if you have questions.

Motivational Quote of the Week:
"The majority of individuals view their surroundings with a minimal amount of observational effort. They are unaware of the rich tapestry of details that surrounds them, such as the subtle movement of a person's hand or foot that might betray his thoughts or intentions." by Joe Navarro

"No one has to wait for a sudden burst of intelligence, a bolt of lightning, or a mystical experience. ...With what you have and where you are, you can begin the process of finding productive, meaningful, and profitable work." by Dan Miller

"Nothing will ever be attempted if all possible objections must first be overcome." by Samuel Johnson

"Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds." by Albert Einstein

Note:
If you would like to submit a request to publish your news or events in our SCISNEWS letter. Please contact Daniela Baban Hurrle at dbabanhu@syr.edu