

Monday, May 11, 2009



"You cannot help but learn more as you take the world into your hands. Take it up reverently, for it is an old piece of clay, with millions of thumbprints on it".

~ by John Updike

Congratulations and Good Luck to our Class of 2009!!!

! Important Announcements !

- Starting this Monday the 11th the Slutzker Center for International Services will switch to summer hours. We will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00am - 4:30pm
- Leaving the United States Permanently or Transferring Out to another school. Please read the article below.
- **Are You Male, from the Republic of Korea, and Planning to Enter Military Service?**
Many male students who are from the Republic of Korea make plans to enter the military service for their required obligation some time during their years at SU. If you are entering the Korean military service this summer or fall, and will be taking classes while you are on military leave, please see an advisor at the Slutzker Center.
- To accommodate student requests at this busy time of the semester, 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](#).
- **"IMMIGRANT" -An Evening of Discussion and Celebration**
Where: Blodgett School
312 Oswego Street
Date: **Thurs, May 14th @ 5:00pm to 8:00pm**

Please join us for an evening of storytelling, discussion, and celebration. Members of our communities will share their experience of travel, migration, and immigrant rights or rights violations.

5:00 pm "Tapas" and storytelling/testimonials.

5:30 pm Roundtables: "The Roots of Migration", "Immigrant Rights"

7:00 pm Dinner and music: a celebration of immigrant cultures.

Organized by La Casita Cultural Center Project in Collaboration with Upstate NY Detention Task Force and May 1st Coalition/ International Migrant Alliance.

The Library's summer hours are now posted on the web at <http://library.syr.edu/information/hours/>

[LibraryHoursSummer2009.html](http://library.syr.edu/information/hours/LibraryHoursSummer2009.html)

U.S. Immigration Requirements If You Are Leaving Syracuse University Permanently.

SCIS advisers are often asked what the immigration requirements are if a student will no longer be continuing at SU, either because the student is returning to his/her home country, or is beginning Practical Training or Academic Training, or because the student is going to begin study at a new school.

Regardless of your plans, retain your old I-20s (or DS-2019s)! These forms represent your immigration history in the United States and should be kept in a safe place as you would keep any important document in case you might need them in the future.

The immigration regulatory process for **transferring** your F-1 status from Syracuse University to a new school in the United States requires you to complete a Transfer Out Form with the SCIS so that your federal SEVIS record can be transferred to your new school. The Transfer Out Form and more detailed information may be found on our website:

http://international.syr.edu/transfer_out.htm

Also, follow your new school's instructions for Transfer In forms, obtaining your I-20, and for reporting to that school in a timely fashion.

Students who will be ending their studies this May but have no plans to apply for practical training (F-1), academic training (J-1) or continue at a new school or in a new field or level of study (i.e. Master's, J.D., PhD), or seek a change of non-immigrant status must depart the United States within 60 days of their academic program end date if they are in F-1 status (*see item #5 on your current I-20*), or within 30 days if they are in J-1 status.

Latest Information on H-1B Visa Processing

The most recent H-1B updates were published on Monday April 27th. It can be found at: <http://www.uscis.gov/files/article/h-1b-capcount-april-27-09.pdf>

USCIS reports that approximately 44,000 H-1B cap-subject petitions and approximately 20,000 petitions qualifying for the advanced degree cap exemption had been filed. USCIS will continue to accept both cap-subject petitions and advanced degree petitions until a sufficient number of H-1B petitions have been received to reach the statutory limits, taking into account the fact that some of these petitions may be denied, revoked, or withdrawn.

USCIS will provide regular updates on the processing of FY2010 H-1B petitions. The updates can be found on the USCIS' Web site at www.uscis.gov/h-1b_count

Planning to Travel Outside the United States With a Child?

If you have a child (or children) with you in the United States, and plan to travel abroad with them this Summer, we recommend that you read an important article about traveling with children. The article specifically addresses issues when only one parent is traveling with the children. Please visit:

<http://iss.binghamton.edu/travel/parntchild.html>

Summer Bus Schedule Begins Monday

Syracuse University shuttle service will begin operating on a summer schedule starting Monday, May 11. The Quad Shuttle

will run at morning and afternoon peak times over the summer, and the Manley service will now extend to the Skytop Office Building. Bus schedules have been posted at all shelter locations. Schedules may also be printed from the Parking and Transit Services website at <http://parking.syr.edu>.

Regular service resumes when classes start in the fall.

QUESTIONS? Contact:

Parking and Transit Services
621 Skytop Road

- Phone: 443-1049
- Email: svanderp@syr.edu
- Web: <http://parking.syr.edu>

**Academy of Television Arts & Science
sponsoring a script writing competition for
international novice writers!**

Each year, The Foundation of The International Academy of Television Arts & Sciences administers the Sir Peter Ustinov Television Scriptwriting Award. The competition is designed to motivate non-American novice writers under the age of 30, and to offer them the recognition and encouragement that might lead to a successful career in television scriptwriting. Entrants are asked to create a completed half-hour to one-hour (commercial length) English-language television drama script for a family audience. The deadline for submissions is **July 15, 2009**, and the winner will be flown to New York City to be presented with an Award and a **US\$2,500** prize at the International Emmy® World Television Festival on November 21, 2009. For more information please check the following [Link](#):

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 roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet." *by Aristotle*

"You are educated. Your certification is in your degree. You may think of it as the ticket to the good life. Let me ask you to think of an alternative. Think of it as your ticket to change the world..." *by Tom Brokaw*

"If there is no fear or doubt there is no failure"--.
by Darla Johnson

"Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there." *by Steve Wonder*

"Your schooling may be over, but remember that your education still continues." *by Unknown Author*

Note:

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

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