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Slutzker Center News and Events

Welcome to Syracuse University!!

The Staff of the Slutzker Center would like to welcome almost 1200 new international students from all over the world to campus!!

Late Orientation for those who might have missed Orientation will be held on Friday, September 6 beginning from 3 – 6 p.m. in Room 207 Hall of Languages.

We hope that everyone has settled into their new life at Syracuse University, and we look forward to seeing you at the many programs and seminars which we offer throughout the year!



SU Cultural Centers Open House

August 29, 3-5pm

The Syracuse University Cultural Centers will be holding an open house on August 29th from 3-5pm in Schine Student Center 304ABC. Students, faculty, and staff, are welcome! Come and find out more about what SU has to offer and enjoy refreshments!

You can also view the [event flyer](#) or read the [article](#) posted in SU News.



Mix-It-Up

August 30, 5:00pm

The first Mix-It-Up of the Fall semester will this Friday at 5:00pm in Schine 304. Mix-It-Up is a program organized by the Slutzker Center that brings students from all backgrounds together so they can share a meal and a story. International students and US students are both welcome and encouraged to attend. This is a place to talk and to eat great food together, and to learn about each other.



For more information and to view the complete Fall schedule, click [here](#).

Orange Dialogue for Peace

Application Deadline: August 31

If you have ever experienced an unresolved inter-group conflict that you would like to explore or if ethnic/religious/territorial conflict is or was a part of your life, or if you are simply interested in fun interaction with an inclusive group of students and being part of a unique story-telling experience, then you should consider participating in the Syracuse University Orange Dialogue for Peace program.

The program is free and includes round trip travel to this year's location at [Adams Eden Camp](#) from September 13-15. Participants will enjoy getting outdoors, hiking, teambuilding, sharing delicious meals and engaging in meaningful dialogue.

For more information and to learn how to apply, please visit the Slutzker Center [website](#).



Picture of the Week

This picture was taken by Angelina Romano-Stroup at the Great New York State Fair.



For the chance to have your picture featured as Picture of the Week, please send it via email to lescis@syr.edu with the subject line of "Picture of the Week." Submissions can be from anywhere on the globe, including the US, so send us a photo from your travels this summer!

Immigration News and Events

Returning Student Alert: Check Your I-94 and Passport Stamp

The Slutzker Center has checked-in over 1,000 new international students already this fall. Many of those

students had issues with either the entry stamp in their passport or the electronic I-94 print out from www.cbp.gov/I94.

In an effort to make sure the same issues do not negatively impact our continuing students, the Slutzker Center encourages all returning international students to submit a copy of their passport stamp and electronic or paper I-94 card via email to us at lescis@syr.edu. Be sure to include your SUID in the email message.

We will look over the documents and add them to your file. If we find any issues, we will alert you and work with the local officers of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) to get any problems resolved.



Registration for On-line Classes Limited by Immigration Regulations

Immigration regulations require F-1 and J-1 students to be registered full-time every semester and limit on-line course registration to no more than 1 course per semester toward the full-time enrollment requirement.

Graduate students (who are required to register for a minimum of 9 credits per semester) may register for only one 3 credit on-line course if they are taking only 9 credits. Undergraduates (who are required to register for a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester) may register for only one 3 credit on-line course if they are taking only 12 credits.

If you have any questions about whether your online course registration meets immigration requirements, check with the [Slutzker Center](#) as soon as possible!



Syracuse University Events

South Asian Student Association Orientation for New International Students August 31, 4-7pm

The SU [South Asian Student Association](#) (SASA) invites new international students to an informal orientation this Saturday on the Quad. This organization collectively embraces the cultures of Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka. SASA aims to increase awareness of South Asian culture in Syracuse, New York through hosting a variety of cultural and social events.

The orientation will include refreshments and a campus treasure hunt. For more information, please contact



SASA at syracuseu.sasa@gmail.com.

**Turkish Student Association
Welcome Picnic
September 1, 12pm**

All new students and returning students are cordially invited to the Welcome Picnic held by [Turkish Student Association](#) at [Jamesville Beach Park/Sandpiper Shelter](#) on September 1st. If you are looking for some fun activities in the Labor Day weekend come and join us. We will provide Turkish style BBQ, salad, some Turkish desserts, Turkish tea and soda. There will be sport activities, volleyball and soccer. It's open to all SU students.

If you're planning to join us, please RSVP by emailing tsa@syr.edu by Friday, August 30th. Please let us know by email if you need assistance for transportation to the picnic area.



Cultural and Community Events

**St. Thomas More
Catholic Campus Ministry at the
Alibrandi Catholic Center
Open 10am - 10pm**

The Alibrandi Catholic Center's purpose is to serve the more than 4,000 Catholic students by providing spiritual guidance, support, and education during this exciting and formative time in their lives. Hundreds of students participate in activities at the Alibrandi Catholic Center and outreach ministries within the Syracuse community.

See the attached document for the mass schedule and information about free dinners! A special dinner for international students will be held on Thursday, September 5 at 6:30 p.m. You may also visit the [St. Thomas More](#) website. If you have any questions or would like more information, contact Maggie, campus minister, at mbyrne36@gmail.com or Fr Linus DeSantis, chaplain, at ldesanti@syr.edu.



**Syracuse Chiefs vs. Bisons
College Night
September 1, 6:30pm**

Current college students can show a valid college ID at the ticket office to purchase Field Box (regular price \$14) or reserved (regular price \$12) tickets for only \$9 each compliments of The Orange, the newest & only sports bar on the SU hill.

Enjoy this great American pasttime at NBT Bank Stadium and stay for a spectacular post-game fireworks show presented by Saranac. For more information, visit the [Syracuse Chiefs](http://SyracuseChiefs.com) website.

For tickets, contact Matt Willcox at mwillcox@syracusechiefs.com or call 315-474-7833.



The Great New York State Fair August 22 – September 2

One of the largest & the longest running state fairs in the United States! Enjoy food, rides, games, live concerts, agriculture, competitions and so much more!

The State Fair is your pass to New York State's largest annual event; an exciting mix of big-name entertainment, mouth-watering food, captivating exhibits and thrilling attractions that draws nearly 1 million people every summer. It's a 12-day celebration of the very best in New York State agriculture, commerce, education, art and music. It's affordable, it's fun, and it's an end-of-summer tradition for thousands of New York families.



For more information, please visit the [State Fair website](http://StateFair.com).

Important Reminders

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Quotes to keep you thinking

- “Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending.”— **Maria Robinson**
- “Perhaps our eyes need to be washed by our tears once in a while, so that we can see life with a clearer view again.”— **Alex Tan**
- “What is uttered from the heart alone, will win the hearts of others to your own.” – **Johann Wolfgang von Goethe**
- “There is nothing that wastes the body like worry, and one who has any faith in God should be ashamed to worry about anything whatsoever.” – **Mahatma Gandhi**

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