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Immigration News and Events

International Education Projections for 2024

The British Council recently released a report on projected trends in international education through the year 2024. The United States and the United Kingdom are expected to continue as the most popular destinations for international students.

Some forecasts from the report include:

- By 2024, it is expected that there will be 3.85 million outbound mobile higher education students globally, up from 3.04 million in 2011, with India and China contributing 35 percent of global growth during the forecast period
- Saudi Arabia, Nigeria, Nepal, Pakistan, Iraq, Brazil, Turkey and Indonesia will emerge as important origin markets
- The US has a host destination will be the major beneficiary of growth of outbound students from China and India

Syria “Redesignated” for TPS: New Applicants May Apply

The Department of Homeland Security has redesignated Syria for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and has extended the country’s existing TPS designation. TPS gives individuals...
permission to stay in the United States when they are temporarily unable to safely return to their home country due to extraordinary and temporary conditions, such as armed conflict or natural disaster.

The extension of Syria's TPS designation allows currently eligible TPS beneficiaries to retain TPS through March 31, 2015, and "redesignation" allows new applications from Syrians who meet the eligibility criteria. Eligible Syrians must apply before December 16, 2013. For information on how to file your application, please visit USCIS.

Slutzker Center News and Events

Not Doing So Well on Midterms?
The Slutzker Center is Here to Help

This time of the semester can be stressful for students. If you are struggling with one or more of your classes, you should seek help now.

The Slutzker Center website has an Academic Success page with a long list of On-Campus resources available to SU Students. There are also a variety of web resources available on the site covering topics such as plagiarism, proper citation, and grammatical issues like sentence fragments, use of articles, and disruptive commas.

You are also welcome and encouraged to make an appointment to speak with a Slutzker Center advisor regarding any academic difficulty you might be having. To schedule an appointment, please call 443-2457 or email lescis@syr.edu.

Picture of the Week

This picture was taken by Sonia Ramrakhiani. Sonia is from Mumbai, India and will graduate this December from SU with an MS in Clinical Mental Health counseling. She took this picture from Paradise Point on the island of St. Thomas in the Caribbean. If paradise existed on earth, Sonia believes it would be on St. Thomas. She sees herself as “a healthy optimist, grateful explorer and passionate photographer”.

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!

### Syracuse University Events

#### Books and Cooks!

Books & Cooks! is a program in which SU students provide tutoring and nutritional information to elementary school students to improve literacy rates and healthy habits. The program introduces elementary school students to a different culture each week. Each Books & Cooks! lesson consists of readings, activities, and healthy meals, relevant to a different culture from around the world.

The Books and Cooks program is looking for international students from Spain, Brazil, Vietnam, Greece, and Myanmar to talk to school-age children about what it’s like living in their home country. Transportation will be provided.

If you or a friend would like to speak please send an email to mbsimon@syr.edu.

#### David Ehrlich Reading

**Bird Library, Peter Graham Scholarly Commons Room**  
**October 22, 5:00pm**

Renowned writer David Ehrlich is visiting the United States for a

David Ehrlich has published two books of short stories in Hebrew, *18 Blue* and *Tuesday and Thursday Mornings*. His bookstore in Jerusalem, Tmol Shilshom, is a haven for avant garde artists and writers, hosting readings by authors such as David Grossman and Etgar Keret.

Co-sponsored by the Judaic Studies Program, the Syracuse University Humanities Center, the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics, the Creative Writing Program, the Department of English, and the LGBT Studies Program.

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**Eric Liu**  
*The True Meaning of Patriotism*  
Hendricks Chapel  
October 22, 7:30pm

Liu will speak on the true meaning of patriotism, addressing the question of what patriotism really means. He takes both the left and the right to task for forgetting the moral principles that give real meaning to love of country, and reminds all that we can live out the American ideal in our everyday choices. Throughout his work, Liu sends a message about the power of being part of something larger than oneself.

Liu is the founder of the Guiding Lights Network, which promotes and teaches the art of creative citizenship. The organization brings together leaders, catalysts, and innovators in creative ways to generate new solutions to collective challenges. His book, “Guiding Lights: The People Who Lead Us Toward Our Purpose in Life,” describes the ways of transformative mentors from all walks of life and was named the official book of National Mentoring Month.

Visit the [University Lectures](#) page for more information.

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**Cultural and Community Events**

**Hear Haiti Here**  
Community Folk Art Center  
October 18, 7pm

An evening featuring critically acclaimed Daniel Roumain. The concert will be held as part of our highly anticipated concert
series, A Journey Through Music of the African Diaspora (JMAD).

Daniel Roumain is a classically trained violinist, composer, and performer whose contemporary compositions have been lauded by critics, fellow musicians, and audiences worldwide. Roumain’s celebrated two-decade career began with his debut at Carnegie Hall in 2000. Roumain went on to compose works for an array of illustrious orchestra and chamber ensembles. He has since been commissioned by artists that span across the musical spectrum, including Phillip Glass, Cassandra Wilson, Bill T. Jones, Savion Glover, and Lady Gaga.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit the Community Folk Art Center.

Our World Through Local Art
The Gallery at the Tech Garden
October 10-31

Maria Rizzo, Artist-in-Residence and Curator at the Tech Garden, is proud to present Our World through Local Art, a group exhibition that celebrates our world through the art of five talented Syracuse-area based artists.

Domenico Gigante, a self-taught fine artist whose recent series depicts the coastal towns, mountains, and water of his native region of Puglia, Italy. Shailesh Joshi, a native of Ahmedabad, India, is a self-taught fine artist whose paintings are about seeing color in nature as a metaphor for the spiritual. Ty Marshal’s "pink cloud" illustrations, paintings, sculptures, and objects are inspired by the time he spent living in Arizona. Wendy Pitoniak, a Syracuse native, is a self-taught artist who discovered her creative passion during her formative years. Clare Willson is a British native who formed her own seamstress business specializing in designing costumes for theater productions.

The full exhibition runs from October 10 to October 31, 2013, Monday through Friday from 9 am to 4 pm. For more information, please visit The Tech Garden.

Salt Market
499 South Warren St, Syracuse
October 19, 10am-5pm

The Salt Market connects the greater community with independent artists & designers whose wares are not easily accessible otherwise. Many of the market vendors don’t sell in nearby stores or other craft markets, making this market a unique event for Syracuse.
The market organizers seek out exceptional and innovative artists that are creating well-designed products inspired by contemporary trends. Value is also placed on eco-conscious use of materials, innovative packaging, and original business branding. Visitors to the market have come to expect a vibrant, community-based event; re-imagining all things locally handmade while enjoying local music performances and delicious food provided by local venues!

Visit the Salt Market website for further details. There is a $2 entry fee for this event.

**Scorched**
**Syracuse Stage**
**October 23-November 10**

An epic mystery that has captivated and stunned audiences around the globe. After their mother’s death, twins Janine and Simon, guided by letters the mother has left each, travel to the Middle East to untangle family roots entwined in a war ravaged past. A play of raw power and poetic resonance, the Syracuse Stage production will feature original music by the world renowned Kronos Quartet and marks the return of director Marcela Lorca (Caroline, or Change).

Wajdi Mouawad is a multi-award winning Lebanese-Canadian writer, actor and director. At age six, he and his family fled from Beirut in 1975 as a result of the Lebanese Civil War. Drawing upon that experience and inspired by Greek tragedies as well as Kafka, he wrote Scorched. A film version, Incendies, was Canada's official selection for the 2011 Academy Awards.

Scorched is recommended for mature audiences due to adult language and violent situations. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit Syracuse Stage.

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### Important Reminders

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- HR notice for on-campus employees
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Quotes to keep you thinking

- “We and the cosmos are one. The cosmos is a vast body, of which we are still parts. The sun is a great heart whose tremors run through our smallest veins. The moon is a great gleaming nerve-centre from which we quiver forever.” – D.H. Lawrence

- “Adversity is a severe instructor, set over us by one who knows us better than we do ourselves, as he loves us better too. He that wrestles with us strengthens our nerves and sharpens our skill. Our antagonist is our helper.” – Edmund Burke

- “We live in a society whose whole policy is to excite every nerve in the human body and keep it at the highest pitch of artificial tension, to strain every human desire to the limit and create as many new desires and synthetic passions as possible, in order to cater to them with the products of our factories and printing presses and movie studios and all the rest.” – Thomas Merton

- “The average pencil is seven inches long, with just a half-inch eraser - in case you thought optimism was dead.” – Robert Brault

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