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Slutzker Center News and Events

Late Orientation
Hall of Languages, Rm 207
September 6, 3-6pm

If you are a new international student this Fall and did not attend orientation, it is mandatory that you attend Late Orientation this Friday. If you haven’t already done so, you should confirm that you will attend by emailing lescis@syr.edu.

Please arrive on time and bring your yellow Clearance Form with you. You will receive a signature on your form to indicate that you attended. If the Clearance Form is not completed and turned in to the Slutzker Center, a hold will eventually be placed on your student record.

Mix-It-Up
Schine 304
September 6, 5:00pm

The first Mix-It-Up was a huge success with nearly 200 attendees. Keep the momentum going and join us this Friday!

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.

New International Student Numbers
Syracuse University welcomed over 1250 new international students to campus in July and August! 430 matriculated undergraduate students, 770 matriculated graduate students, plus 27 undergraduate and 25 graduate non-matriculated exchange students are the newest members of our community.

These 1252 new students joined 948 undergraduate and 1236 graduate students who are continuing their studies, for a total of 3436 international students representing 124 countries on campus this fall! More detailed demographics will appear in a future issue of SCIS News, including geographic and academic breakdowns.

So glad to have all of you on campus, contributing to the truly global nature of Syracuse University!

Farewell Wishes to Tracee Senti
Everyone at the Slutzker Center would like to wish our former International Student Advisor, Tracee Senti, a fond farewell. She will be joining her husband back in her home-state of Wisconsin.

Tracee spent a year with the Slutzker Center and was fondly known as “Transfer Tracee” because she was the primary contact person for international students transferring to/from Syracuse University.

We will miss her and know that many of our international students will miss her as well. We wish her nothing but the best in the future.

Picture of the Week
This picture was taken by Alessia Cecchet at Pratt’s Falls Park in nearby Manlius, NY. Alessia is a first year
graduate student from Italy who is enrolled in the Film program at SU. She took this picture on her first day-trip outside of Syracuse. For her, it represents “the calmness of nature you can find in American parks. Wilderness and civilization in the same place and the human need to contemplate nature – to feel inspired by it.”

For the chance to have your picture featured as Picture of the Week, please send it via email to liscis@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

F-1/J-1 Students
Full-time Enrollment Requirement

The Slutzker Center would like to remind all F-1 and J-1 students that you must be enrolled full-time in order to maintain your status.

Undergraduates should be enrolled for 12 credit hours. Graduate students should be enrolled for 9 credit hours or otherwise be considered full-time by their department. For more detailed information, visit the SCIS website.

Students in their final semester may be enrolled for fewer credit hours, but need to notify the Slutzker Center by submitting a Last Semester Memo.

F-1/J-1 Students
Address Update Requirement

Immigration regulations require F-1 and J-1 students to report any changes in US address within 10 days.
If you are currently enrolled at SU, you should update your address with the Slutzker Center by logging into your MySlice account and updating your CURRENT address.

If you are an F-1 student on OPT, you should update your address using the OPT Students Info Update form.

If you do not have a US address listed as your CURRENT address, it may affect our ability to update your SEVIS record properly. For more detailed instructions on how to properly update your address, visit the Updating Your Information section of our website.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact us at lescis@syr.edu or 315-443-2457.

Syracuse University Events

International Student Organization
First General Interest Meeting
Life Science Building, Rm 001
TODAY at 7:30pm

Meeting new people is thrilling, so why not meet people from all over the world? All in one place: International Student Organization.

ISO is excited to start off a great semester by sharing their new goals and events for the month of September. They’ll talk about cultural celebrations they hope to host, great fun initiatives they hope to execute, and provide you with a place to meet students from all over the world (including the US), and of course share your culture and traditions.

For more information, you can visit the International Student Organization’s Facebook page or email them at isocuse@gmail.com.

Nanhi Kali
Informal Orientation
Hinds Hall, Room 347
September 6, 2:30-3:30pm

Nanhi Kali invites new international students to an informal orientation on September 6th (Friday) at Katzer room (Hinds Hall – Room No. 347).

This organization focuses on organizing fundraising events and channelling the funds to provide education to under-privileged girls in India. Nanhi Kali also aims to spread awareness about the importance of education through hosting a variety of cultural and social events.

For more information, please contact Nanhi Kali at
Japanese Student Association
Welcome Party
Hall of Languages, Room 500
September 13, 7-9pm

The SU Japanese Student Association (JSA) would like to welcome all new Japanese students to campus and invite you to their Welcome Party for the 2013-2014 academic year. The event will include dinner and an informational session about Syracuse life. The cost is $20 (no charge for children under 6, $7 for children 7-12 years old) and should be paid in cash.

If you would like to attend, please send an RSVP by Friday, September 6th to jsasyracuse@gmail.com including your name and contact information. If you can’t make it to the party, but would like to receive information about future JSA events, please send an email to the same address and include your contact information. Emails can be in either Japanese or English.

Cultural and Community Events

International Dinner
St. Thomas More Catholic Campus Ministry
September 5, 6:30pm

A special dinner for international students will be held this Thursday at the Alibrandi Catholic Center at 110 Walnut Place (just up the road from the Slutzker Center).

This dinner is one in a series called “More Dinners” held every Thursday at 6:30pm (following mass at 6pm in the Chapel). Each Thursday, students gather in the chapel to share a variety of healthy meals cooked by student chefs. The informal atmosphere makes it a great time to relax and unwind after a long week. All are welcome!

For more information, please visit the St. Thomas More website. If you have any questions or would like more
information, you can also contact Maggie, campus minister, at mmbyme36@gmail.com or Fr Linus DeSantis, chaplain, at ldesanti@syr.edu.

**Syracuse Irish Festival**  
**September 6 & 7, 11am – 11pm**

The Syracuse Irish Festival truly is a taste of Ireland featuring music, dance, song, genealogy, culture and children’s activities.

If you’re looking for a weekend packed with great Irish bands, step dancers, lectures, exhibits, workshops, food and children’s activities, come to Syracuse’s Irish Cultural Festival at Clinton Square.

For more information, visit the [official website](#).

**DISCO International**  
**Japanese-English Bilingual Career Forums**  
**October & November**

DISCO International, organizer of the world's largest job fair for Japanese-English bilinguals, invites Japanese-English bilingual students to their upcoming Career Forums this fall. Online registration is available at the below links.

- [Los Angeles Career Forum](#)
  
  October 5 & 6, 2013 (Sat. & Sun.)  
  
  Loews Hollywood Hotel

- [Boston Career Forum](#)
  
  Nov. 8 - 11, 2013 (Fri. - Sun.)  
  
  Boston Convention & Exhibition Center (Boston, Massachusetts)

Companies will be holding seminars as well as interviews at their booths during the event. Registration and attending the event is free.

For more information, email cfn@careerforum.net.

**Important Reminders**

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Quotes to keep you thinking

- “The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.” – Eleanor Roosevelt
- “If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude.” – Maya Angelou
- “Ocean: A body of water occupying about two-thirds of a world made for man - who has no gills.” – Ambrose Bierce
- “My religion is very simple. My religion is kindness.” – Dalai Lama

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