November 4, 2022

Daylight Saving Time Ends this Sunday: At 2 a.m. ET on Sunday clocks in the U.S. will turn back one hour as daylight saving time ends. Digital clocks should adjust automatically but be sure to update any wall clocks, your car clock, etc...

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Advising by Appointment- In-Person or on Zoom
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9am-12:30pm
Appointments must be scheduled in advance through Calendly
ISSS Thanksgiving Dinner Sign-Up (Event on November 17)

Thursday, November 17 from 5pm-7pm
Campus Center Ballroom

UALBANY INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK EVENT
Menu Includes: Sliced Turkey, Gravy, Rolls with Butter, Traditional Stuffing (no meat), Green Beans with Sliced Almonds, Eggplant Parmesan (vegetarian option), and Apple/Pumpkin Pie

COME ENJOY AN AMERICAN TRADITION!

COST IS ONLY $7 PER PERSON;
STUDENTS & SCHOLARS MAY BRING GUESTS
BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE GENEROUS SPONSORSHIP OF UAS
ADVANCED REGISTRATION REQUIRED. REGISTER AT:
HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/ISSSTURKEY2022
EMAIL ISSS@ALBANY.EDU FOR MORE INFORMATION

You are cordially invited to an annual ISSS tradition: the Thanksgiving Dinner!

The dinner is on Thursday, November 17 from 5-7pm in the Campus Center Ballroom (2nd Floor). The cost per person is $7 for the first 90 students/scholars to sign up. Students/scholars may choose to bring additional guest(s) for $7 per guest (children under 5 are free).
Please fill in the form to RSVP. By hitting submit you finalize your reservation and confirm your payment will be added to your UAAlbany account. If you have any questions please email ISSS@albany.edu

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ISSS Spring 2023 Orientation Assistant Application Open

ISSS is seeking Orientation Assistants to serve as peer mentors and coordinate activities during Spring 2023 International Orientation (January 12-January 17).

We are planning in-person activities for Spring 2023 Orientation. Applicants must plan to be physically present in Albany between January 11-January 17. If selected for the position you must be enrolled for Spring 2023 to be hired. Orientation Assistants will be paid $13.20 an hour for approximately 10-25 hours of work.

Applications are due by Sunday, November 27th. For more information and to apply click here.

International Education Week Career Workshops (November 14-November 16)
Save the date for three workshops coming up during International Education Week in November!

**Career Planning as a Student- Skill building for landing your first OPT job**  
*Guest Speaker Megumi Kim, Career and Professional Development*

**Monday, 11/14 - Career Preparation & Goal Building**

3-4pm in Massry Business Building Room 205

*Learn about available resources and to think about how to prepare for your job search*

**Wednesday 11/16 - Networking**

3-4pm in Humanities Room 116

*Tips on LinkedIn, networking, and building connections*

**Career Planning for the Future- What Comes After OPT**

**Monday 11/14 & Tuesday 11/15**

1-on-1 Consultations with Art Serratelli, Immigration Attorney  
30 minute slots available 9am-4pm. Discuss your employment authorization options after OPT/STEM OPT. Email immigration.art@gmail.com to schedule, subject line "UAlbany 1-on-1 Consultation"

**Tuesday 11/15- Career & Visa Pathways Beyond F-1 OPT**

4pm-6pm on Zoom

*Learn about how to plan for what comes after OPT and your various work visa options*

*Guest Speakers: Art Serratelli (Immigration Attorney) and Kwan Segal (ICAway)*

**Great Danes in NYC (Job Site Visits)- Register Now**

Great Danes in NYC will take place January 9th-January 12th in-person. Great Danes in NYC is a NYC based company site visit program designed for UAlbany students to explore careers and career opportunities! You can network with UAlbany alums and company staff to learn about their careers and possible internship and job opportunities.

**THIS IS NOT A JOB POSTING BUT A COMPANY SITE VISIT- International Students Do Not Need U.S. Work Authorization to attend this Site Visit Event!**

- **PwC** (Jan 9) – all years allowed / Accounting, Cyber Security, Finance & Financial Management, Data Mining, Computer Science, Actuarial Sciences, Business Analytics, Data Science, and Information Systems Management majors
- **Kasirer** (Jan 9) – all years allowed / Public Administration, Public Policy, Public Relations, and Political Science & Government majors
- **NBC** (Jan 10) – all years allowed / all majors allowed
- **EY** (Jan 10) – Sophomore, junior, senior / Accounting, Cyber Security, Finance & Financial Management, Data Mining, Computer Science, Actuarial Sciences, Data Science, Consulting and Information Systems Management majors
- **Village of Briarcliff Manor** (Jan 10) – all years allowed and Masters students / Emergency Management/Homeland Security, Public Administration, Law, Public Policy, Criminal Justice/Criminology, Political Science & Government, Urban Planning, Forensics, and International Studies/Comparative Politics majors
- **Bloomberg** (Jan 11) - Sophomore, juniors / all majors allowed
- **Deloitte** (Jan 11) – Freshman, sophomore, juniors / Accounting majors
- **RSM** (Jan 11) – Sophomore, juniors / all majors allowed
- **UBS Financial Services** (Jan 12) – all years allowed, MBA / Accounting, Finance & Financial Management, Entrepreneurship, Business Administration & Management, Economics, Business Analytics, Consulting, and Sales majors
- **JNK Securities** (Jan 12) - all years allowed / all majors allowed
- **NYC Department of Education** (Jan 12) – all years allowed, Masters, Doctorate students / all majors allowed
- **Mazars** (Jan 12) – Junior, seniors / Accounting majors
- **Salesforce** (Jan 9) – all years allowed, Masters students / all majors allowed
- **Fastenal** (Jan 11) – Junior, seniors / Marketing, Business Admin & Management majors

**Cultural Connections Festival November 18- Seeking Performers!**

[Image of Cultural Connections Festival poster]

**Performers!**
Singers, dancers, poets, all forms of visual and auditory artists are invited to perform at our annual Cultural Connections Festival!
Friday evening, Nov. 18 (tentative)

**Sign Up Now!**
The Cultural Connections Festival is an annual event held in November (Tentative: Nov.18th in Great Hall/TBA). This event aims to celebrate the diverse cultures in the UAlbany community. We invite you to attend the event and to either watch your peer's talent or show off your own. This is a chance for you to show off your singing skills, cultural dances, poetry, and much more. Come dressed in your traditional clothes to represent your culture or formal wear is also welcome. All International and Domestic students are welcome to get a chance to make connections among each other.

We are excited and looking forward to having you at this event and learn more about your culture! Please fill out the following form to RSVP! We appreciate your time! See you all at the Festival!
Email: culturalconnections@albany.edu for any questions! Instagram: @culturalconnectionsualbany

Here's the sign up form link:
https://forms.gle/sbvyftQDyEGoRjWr7

Diwali Night with the ISO- November 13

Indian Student Organization presents you with the most exciting cultural event of the year, 'Diwali Night.' It is a celebration of love, light, and joy. And all we need is your participation and presence to make it the event of the year. Join us on November 13th at 5:30 pm as we celebrate in the Campus Center Auditorium. We have it all - performances, music, and the most important of all, AUTHENTIC INDIAN FOOD. Come one, come all!

Click on the link to buy tickets: http://shorturl.at/BFR36

We welcome you all to showcase your talent at this year's 'Diwali Night.' You could dance (solo/group), play instruments, sing, recite poetry, or show your creativity on many levels.

Click on the link to register for performances:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfvHAspl9v8h6GublljWqPJ7Sb_F9NByRYFumxVtQuLNDImQ/viewform
How to Apply for OPT

Students who are graduating this Fall and planning to apply for Post-Completion OPT Work Authorization should complete the following steps to apply:

1. [Watch the required OPT workshop](#)
2. Review all instructions on the [OPT Request EForm website](#), including the [Supplemental Forms and Instructions](#)
3. [Submit the EForm](#) to ISSS to request a new I-20 recommending you for post-completion OPT
4. [File with DHS-USCIS](#) within 30 days of receiving the new I-20 from ISSS recommending you for post-completion OPT

If you have questions please speak with an ISSS advisor

Graduating in Fall? Register for the International Celebration

**Students who are graduating this Fall 2022:** We would like to invite you to our Fall 2022 CIEGS International Celebration for graduating international students and departing J-1 visiting scholars. If you are not graduating this semester you may disregard.

When: Friday, December 2 from 4:00 - 5:30pm
Where: Science Library Atrium
Details: Join us for a reception in the Science Library honoring Fall 2022 graduates and departing visiting scholars. Light refreshments will be served. Graduates and scholars who register through this form by November 18, 2022 will be issued a sash with their country's flag on it which they may pick up at the time of the event only.
RSVP Here: [https://forms.gle/ovWU7MmXo1vuKGHj8](https://forms.gle/ovWU7MmXo1vuKGHj8)

**This form is intended for graduating international students and departing visiting scholars only.** If you are a departing international exchange student or a graduating study abroad alumnus please contact the Education Abroad office at studyabroad@albany.edu.

Please note: this is an event recognizing Fall 2022 international graduates, it is not University Commencement

Cultural Connections- Upcoming Events
Join Cultural Connections at their upcoming events this semester!

**Dance Workshop**
Monday, November 7th at CC Studio West, 5-6pm

**Travel Around the World!**
Tuesday, November 8th at CC Board Room, 4pm

**Mocktail Night**
Friday, November 11 at Damien's/Jamal's, 6:30-8:30pm

**Annual Festival!!**
Friday, November 18 at Campus Center Great Hall, 6:30pm

**Winter Event**
December 2nd at Multi-Purpose Room, 5pm
The November Brown Bag presented by SEAClange will be a talk by Dr. Dominik Hammer, professor of International Management and Business Administration and the Vice Dean of International Affairs at Munich University of Applied Science. Dr. Hammer will be talking about lessons learned from his leadership journey. This topic would be most relevant to students in leadership courses and business management programs as well as in international education. The event is free and open to UAlbany students and the public. Participants can attend in person at Social Sciences building room 256 or by Zoom. We encourage everyone to RSVP at MyInvolvement. For questions/more information, please email EPLstudentorg@albany.edu

Serbian, Bosnian, Croatian, Dari or Dhivevi Speakers Needed
As part of an international climate change education project (www.mecce.ca), official education and climate-related policy documents in different languages are being analyzed. Currently, there is a need for short term research assistants who speak Serbian, Bosnian, Croatian, Dari or Dhivevi. If you are interested and wish to learn more about this research opportunity, please send an email to Professor Aaron Benavot in the School of Education (abenavot@albany.edu). Both graduate and undergraduate students are invited to apply.

Let's Talk

The Let’s Talk service gives you access to a 15- to 20-minute consultation with a CAPS clinician at convenient locations on campus. The service is often used by students who:

- Aren’t sure about counseling and wonder what it’s like to talk to a counselor
- Aren’t interested in counseling but would like a counselor’s perspective
- Have a specific problem and would like to talk it through with someone
- Have a concern about a friend and want advice on what to do

Fall 2022 Let's Talk Schedule

- 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays in the Arena Level Office A35 inside SEFCU Arena (Uptown Campus)
- 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesdays in University Library Office 94 inside the Educational Opportunity Program suite (Uptown Campus)
- 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Student Affairs Suite Room 114 at the School of Public Health (Health Sciences Campus)

Groups for Support

CAPS offers a variety of groups that students can join for support, connection, and building life skills. These include International Circle: Thriving in a New Land; Anxiety Management; Graduate Student Support Group; Women of Color Empowerment and Connection Group; and more. Check out all the offerings by clicking on "Read More."

Women of Color Empowerment & Connection

Join this affirming space for Women of Color to reflect on lived experiences and to explore growth, stress, coping and connection during this in-person, weekly group. Group Leader: Dr. Jennifer Ho, jho2@albany.edu

Read More
The Festival of Nations is a Capital Region Event taking place on Sunday, November 6th from 11:30am-4:00pm in the Empire State Plaza Convention Center. It will feature a parade of nations, music, food, and more!

If you volunteer for the event you can attend free. Volunteers are needed in one of either two shifts: 11am to 1:30pm or 1 to 3:30. To volunteer contact Nony Melia at melia.nony@gmail.com

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