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UPCOMING EVENTS

LECTURE: “GEOGRAPHY AND INTERNATIONALIZATION”

The UB Department of Geography is proud to present this keynote speech.

“Geography and Internationalization”

Dr. Kavita Pandit, Associate Provost of International Education for the University of Georgia

Friday, November 20

1:00-3:00

Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

American universities are facing a growing imperative to internationalize in order to prepare students to live and work in a globalized world, to enhance scholarship and discovery, and to foster economic links between their communities and the rest of the world.

For further information, please contact Mr. Sam Copeland at ssc24@buffalo.edu or 239-0467.

ISSS WORKSHOPS

“Holidays Around the World: China”

Wednesday, November 18

12:00-1:00

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

Over 100 countries are represented at UB. Have you ever wondered about the cultural, historical, political and religious holidays celebrated in other countries? Come listen to Chinese students present the origin, significance and customs surrounding major holidays celebrated in their country.

Presenters: Qianwen Lu, Shaokang Wang and Dan Zhou, UB Chinese Students

“Applying for a ‘Green Card’: Outstanding Professor / Researcher Petitions, Adjustment of Status & Consular Processing”

Wednesday, November 18

3:00-4:30

Capen Hall 31, North Campus

Are you thinking of sponsoring a researcher or faculty member for a “green card”? This session will discuss the stages of applying: 1) the employer’s Outstanding Professor/ Researcher petition, and 2) the employee’s Adjustment of Status application or immigrant visa application to a U.S. Consulate abroad. It will also explore costs, supporting evidence, processing times, work authorization in the U.S. and authorization to travel outside the U.S. while the case is pending.

Presenter: Oscar Budde, Esq., Director, Immigration Services, UB

“Understanding International Classroom Cultures: India”

Friday, November 20

11:00-1:00

Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

International students bring to UB expectations of academic culture that differ greatly from that in the U.S. Come hear students from India discuss their prior educational experiences, and differences between classroom culture in their country and the U.S. Learn useful techniques to bridge the gap between your teaching style and the students’ expectations.

Presenters: Sourish Chakravarty, Preethi Gopalan, Parvathy Hariharan, Sudeep Hegde, Anand Shankar, Gaurav Shringarpure and Sumit Tripathi, UB Indian Students