ISSS NEWSLETTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BRUNCH

The International Committee of the UB Women’s Club invites you and your family to their Brunch and Social Hour on Thursday, March 3. The lunch will be from 11:00-1:00 (or until the food runs out) in Student Union 210. Come enjoy a free meal and meet new friends!

ELI’S CHAT ROOM PROGRAM

The English Language Institute's Chat Room program offers all UB international students an opportunity to practice conversation with a UB student. The Chat Room is open on Monday to Friday afternoons. Appointments are 50 minutes each and start at 2:30, 3:00, 3:30 or 4:00.

For more information, stop by the Chat Room table daily from 2:00-4:00 near Baldy Hall 320.

AMERICAN ENGLISH PRONUNCIATION COURSE

The English Language Institute’s non-credit American English Pronunciation course provides instruction in stress and intonation, fluency and the production of American English sounds.

Dates: Mondays, March 28 – May 11
Time: 5:30-6:50 p.m.
Tuition: $225 for 7 weeks (14 classes)

Register at the ELI, Baldy Hall 320, North Campus or call 645-2077. Visit http://buffalo.edu/eli, and click on “Evening Program” for more information.

INTRO TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, INC.

Since one goal of the Office of International Student and Scholar Services is to introduce you to resources, services and opportunities at UB, we are introducing International Students Incorporated (ISI) to you below. We are doing so because some students have benefited from ISI programs and services. Please note that ISSS does not endorse ISI, its mission or its activities. ISI is a Christian organization and ISSS is nonreligious. If you have any questions, please let us know via email (iss@buffalo.edu) or phone (645-2258).

Message from ISI
International Students, Inc. is an organization on 677 University campuses across the U.S. ISI exists to help international students connect with Americans, learn about/adjust to American culture, and explore the Christian Heritage of the U.S. through:

- Furniture/household items give aways
- American and International Friendships, and Student Club events
- English Conversation Program and partners
- Group Events - Country Barn Dance, Apple Picking, Ski Trip, etc.
- Trips - Florida, Out West, Boston for Thanksgiving
- Conferences - Leadership Retreat, Thanksgiving Conference, etc.
- Bible study with an American
- Visits to local churches

All international students are welcome to participate in ISI activities, regardless of ethnicity, nationality or religion. We are a Christian organization that follows the teachings of Jesus as found in the Holy Bible. We do push our beliefs on anyone. Opportunities for investigating the Bible will be offered to those who are interested. For more information, please visit our website at www.isibuffalo Student.com, e-mail dmanta@isibuffalo.com, call/text 716-998-3989 or visit 108B in The Commons, North Campus.

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ELI OPEN LAB
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Practice your pronunciation and listening comprehension on your own with tapes at the English Language Institute’s Open Lab.

Days & Times: Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:00-5:00 p.m.; Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00 p.m., Thursdays, 12:30-3:30 p.m.
Place: Clemens Hall 1 & 3, North Campus

Free and open to all UB students. Bring your UB Card!
INTERNATIONAL TEA TIME

Do you enjoy meeting new people, playing games and having tea? If so, please join us!

International Tea Time brings together international and U.S. students for conversation and fun. We play games, talk and get to know each other.

Days: Every Monday  
Time: 5:00-6:30  
Place: Student Union 240, North Campus

Organizer: UB Counseling Services
For more information: http://ub-counseling.buffalo.edu/tea.php

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CORNER

The Center for Excellence in Writing's English Conversation Corner provides an informal, relaxed atmosphere for students who would like to practice their English conversation skills.

“Afternoon Chat with Mike D.”  
Tuesdays, 12:00-1:30

“Coffee Chat with Michelle”  
Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9:30-11:00  
Baldy Hall 209, North Campus

No need to sign up. Drop in and out at your leisure. For more information, call 645-5139, e-mail writing@buffalo.edu or visit www.writing.buffalo.edu.

ISSS WORKSHOPS

“Income Tax Workshop” (for nonresident filers)  
Wednesday, March 2  
3:00-4:50  
Knox Hall 20, North Campus

UPCOMING EVENTS
This talk explores the inner workings of the Chinese economy, with a focus on its recent developments. It discusses the slowdown in the growth of China’s GDP and its gradual structural adjustment from manufacturing to services. It analyzes the latest developments in China's external accounts, capital flight, loss of forex reserves, and the official policy responses. The root causes of these disturbing events are delineated. The ensuing movements in China's financial assets prices such as the exchange rates and stock prices, as well as the growing debt problem and misallocation of resources are discussed. Finally, the needed structural reforms and other policy prescriptions, including the thorny trilemma (impossible trinity) problem, are explored.

Presenter: Prof. Winston Chang, Department of Economics, University at Buffalo

Date: Friday, March 4
Time: 12:00-1:30
Place: Park Hall 280, North Campus

Sponsored by the Asian Studies program

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UB WORKSHOPS
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“Prehealth Committee Student Information Meeting”
Tuesday, March 1
3:30-4:30
Student Union 145A, North Campus

“Thinking About Majoring in Communication”
Wednesday, March 2
3:00-3:50
Park Hall 275, North Campus

“How to Help a Sexual Assault Survivor”
Thursday, March 3
3:30-4:30
Student Union 330, North Campus

“Leading Self: Public Speaking”
Thursday, March 3
5:00-6:00
Student Union 235, North Campus
“Prepping for Trout Fishing Season”
Thursday, March 3
6:00-8:00
Student Union 240, North Campus

“Men’s Group Mondays”
Monday, March 7
5:00-6:30
Student Union 114, North Campus