ISSS NEWSLETTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

February 9, 2015

***********
CONTENTS
***********

1. Announcements
   
   Posting Announcements in the ISSS Newsletter for International Students
   BRIDGES Program
   ELI Chat Room
   ELI Open Lab
   Turkish Language Classes
   International Tea Time
   International Student Support Group

2. ISSS Workshops
   
   “Your F-1 Immigration Status: A Refresher”
   “Travel USA”
   “H-1B Visas: An Information Session for Students”

3. ISSS Trips and Activities
   
   Downhill Skiing & Snowboarding

4. UB Workshops
   
   “Time Management Tips”
   “Leading Self: Goal Setting”
   “Time Management Tips”
   “Prehealth Committee Student Information Meeting”
   “Salary Negotiations Panel Discussion: Advice to Connect You to Your New Job!”
   “Quiet: A Workshop for Introverts”
   “Leading Self: Fulfilling My Role As a Diverse Leader”
   “What Would You Do? Bystander Intervention Training”
   “How to Cope Without the Smoke: A Smoking Cessation Workshop”
   Diversity Institute: Part I
   “Job and Internship Search Strategies for Social Science Majors”
   “Leading Self: American Sign Language and Building an Inclusive Community”
POSTING ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE ISSS NEWSLETTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

If your international student club is organizing an event, you may publicize it in the ISSS Newsletter for International Students. Send event information to isss@buffalo.edu one week before the event. If the information is clear and complete, it will be publicized. Other announcements of importance to international students may also be submitted for consideration.

BRIDGES PROGRAM

BRIDGES (Building Relationships Involving Diverse Groups of Engaged Students) is currently accepting applications from undergraduate students interested in making new connections with fellow American and international students through a series of six activities during the spring semester. Activities include team building, community service, and international film screening and discussion.

The deadline to apply is Thursday, February 12.

For more information, visit UB Linked and search for “Transcending Borders UB” (https://buffalo.collegiatelink.net/organization/transcendingborders). Or call Chris Bragdon at 645-2258 or email cbragdon@buffalo.edu.

ELI CHAT ROOM

Practice your conversation skills at the English Language Institute’s Chat Room! Participate in a weekly face-to-face conversation program involving one U.S. undergraduate student paired with two international students.

Dates: Mondays – Fridays
Times: 2:30, 3:00, 3:30 & 4:00
Place: Near Baldy Hall 314, North Campus

For more information and to sign up, stop by the Chat Room table near Baldy Hall 314 from 2:00-4:00 on Mondays – Fridays and ask to speak with Sarah Spriggs.
**ELI OPEN LAB**

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

**Dates & Times:** Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 2:30-5:30 / Wednesdays, 12:30-3:30  
**Place:** Clemens Hall 3, North Campus

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

**TURKISH LANGUAGE CLASSES**

Turkish GSA is organizing Elementary Turkish 101 classes for those who are interested in learning Turkish language as well as Turkish culture. Everybody is invited and participation is free! Note: Regular attendance to the classes throughout the semester is expected.

**Dates:** Every Wednesday  
**Time:** 5:30-7:00 p.m.  
**Place:** Baldy Hall 111, North Campus

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT GROUP**

Would you like to make friends with others who might be having similar experiences as you? Would you like to practice English and improve your communication skills?

The International Student Support Group provides a safe, supportive and comfortable place to share your experiences in the U.S. It addresses cultural adjustment, academic difficulties, language differences, stress, loneliness, career concerns and more.

The group meets from 3:00-4:30 every Friday. If interested, please contact Dr. Heweon Seo at heweonse@buffalo.edu.

**INTERNATIONAL TEA TIME**

Do you enjoy meeting new people, playing games and having tea? If so, please join us for International Tea Time!
International Tea Time brings together international and U.S. students for conversation and fun. They meet, play games, talk and get to know each other. For more information contact: elenayak@buffalo.edu.

Dates: Every Tuesday
Time: 5:00-6:30
Place: Student Union 240, North Campus

Organizer: UB Counseling Services

ISSS WORKSHOPS

“Your F-1 Immigration Status: A Refresher”
Tuesday, February 10
3:30-4:50
O’Brien Hall 112, North Campus

“Travel USA”
Thursday, February 12
12:30-1:30
Student Union 210, North Campus

“H-1B Visas: An Information Session for Students”
Monday, February 16
12:00-12:50
Knox Hall 14, North Campus

ISSS TRIPS & ACTIVITIES

DOWNHILL SKIING & SNOWBOARDING

A great way to enjoy winter is to go downhill skiing or snowboarding at a local ski resort. Beginners and advanced skiers and snowboarders are welcome!

Date: Saturday, February 14
Meeting Time: 8:15 a.m. (Flint Loop, North Campus)
Return Time: 6:00 p.m. (Flint Loop, North Campus)
Cost: $52 for beginners, $75 for advanced (for round-trip transportation, equipment rental, professional lessons, equipment breakage insurance, lift pass) (non-refundable)
Sign-Up Deadline: 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, February 12 (or until sold out)
Sign up at https://www.ubevents.org/event/1415issstrips

****************
UB WORKSHOPS
****************

“Time Management Tips”
Tuesday, February 10
2:00-2:50
Student Union 210, North Campus

“Leading Self: Goal Setting”
Tuesday, February 10
5:30-6:30
Student Union 235

“Time Management Tips”
Wednesday, February 11
3:00-3:50
Park Hall 275, North Campus

“Prehealth Committee Student Information Meeting”
Wednesday, February 11
3:00-4:00
Student Union 145A, North Campus

“Salary Negotiations Panel Discussion: Advice to Connect You to Your New Job!”
Wednesday, February 11
4:00-5:00
Student Union 330, North Campus

“Quiet: A Workshop for Introverts”
Wednesday, February 11
5:00-6:00
Student Union 306, North Campus

“Leading Self: Fulfilling My Role As a Diverse Leader”
Wednesday, February 11
5:00-6:00
Student Union 240, North Campus

“Resume Writing for Jobs and Internships”
Thursday, February 12
3:30-4:30
Student Union 330, North Campus
“What Would You Do? Bystander Intervention Training”
Thursday, February 12
4:00-5:00
Diefendorf Hall 208, South Campus

“How to Cope Without the Smoke: A Smoking Cessation Workshop”
Friday, February 13
4:00-5:00
Student Union 250, North Campus

Diversity Institute: Part I
Saturday February 14
10:00-2:00
Student Union 210, North Campus

“Job and Internship Search Strategies for Social Science Majors”
Monday, February 16
4:00-5:00
Student Union 330, North Campus

“Leading Self: American Sign Language and Building an Inclusive Community”
Monday, February 16
5:00-6:00
Student Union 240, North Campus