ISSS NEWSLETTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
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“REDEFINING THE NARRATIVE: ISLAM IN FOCUS: AN INTRODUCTION TO ISLAM”

This event is the first in a series of three events to take place in April at UB.

Islam is a major player in shaping world history theologically, politically, commercially, and artistically. We’ll examine the foundations of the religion (Muhammed and the Qur’an), its central practices, and how Islam affects the daily life of both men and women.

Presenter: Prof. Jeannette Ludwig, UB Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, and UB Asian Studies Program Affiliate

Date: Thursday, April 7
Time: 5:00-6:30 p.m.
Place: Clemens Hall 120, UB North Campus

Sponsors: UB Office of International Education, UB Muslim Student Association, UB Asian Studies Program, UB Intercultural & Diversity Center, Transcending Borders UB

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INTERNATIONAL TEA TIME
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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

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ENGLISH CONVERSATION CORNER
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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.

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UB CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN WRITING
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The Center for Excellence in Writing (CEW) offers one-on-one writing consultations to UB students. The consultants discuss essays, reports, application materials, theses, dissertations, etc. They serve as a thoughtful, informed audience for writers across the disciplines and help them make choices about revision.

The CEW also offers special programs for graduate students: Dissertation Retreats and Writing Groups. If you are interested, please email writing@buffalo.edu.
For more information, please visit http://writing.buffalo.edu.

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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!

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ISSS WORKSHOPS
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“F-1 Employment Authorization: Curricular & Optional Practical Training”
Wednesday, March 30
6:00-7:30
Talbert Hall 107, North Campus
“Income Tax Workshop” (for nonresident filers)
Friday, April 1
4:00-6:00
Knox Hall 20, North Campus

“How to Ship Your Stuff Home”
Monday, April 4
3:00-3:50
Talbert Hall 115, North Campus

“Immigration: The Basics for Planning Your Future”
Friday, April 8
4:00-6:00
Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

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ISSS TRIPS & ACTIVITIES
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MAPLE SYRUP ADVENTURE
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Learn about the maple syrup-making process from start to finish. Enjoy an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast and sample the maple syrup!

Date: Sunday, April 3
Meeting Time: 7:45 a.m.
Meeting Place: Flint Loop, North Campus
Return Time: 2:00 p.m.
Cost: $22 (for round-trip transportation, all-you-can-eat breakfast, tour of sugar shack) (non-refundable)
Sign-Up Deadline: 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, March 31 (or when sold out)

Sign up at https://www.ubevents.org/event/1516issstrips
http://wings.buffalo.edu/intlservices/documents/Maple-Syrup-Adventure-Spring-2016.pdf

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RIVER RAFTING TRIP
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Join ISSS for a professionally-guided river rafting adventure trip. See rugged cliffs, waterfalls and nesting bald eagles. This trip provides beauty and adventure in one memorable afternoon. Be prepared to paddle… this is an active experience!
UPCOMING EVENTS

ASIA AT NOON: “THE LIMITS OF CONFUCIANISM IN MODERN AMERICAN LIFE”

China’s growing global economic and political prominence in the 21st century has brought with it an expectation that certain aspects of Chinese culture will become more influential internationally. When we examine the case of Confucianism in contemporary America, however, we find very limited cultural impact. Why? What are the limits to the expansion of Confucianism in the United States? Drawing on recent work in comparative philosophy, Professor Crane will explore the material, social, and political factors that constrain the development of an American Confucianism.

Presenter: Prof. Sam Crane, Williams College

Date: Tuesday, March 29
Time: 6:00
Place: Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

Refreshments will be provided

Sponsored by UB’s Asian Studies Program

UB WORKSHOPS

“Dating in the United States”
Tuesday, March 29
4:00-5:00
Student Union 250, North Campus
“Leading for Change: Advocacy in Our Community – Women’s History Month”
Wednesday, March 30
3:00-4:00
Student Union 240, North Campus

“Leading for Change: How to Be an Ally – Ally 101”
Thursday, March 31
5:30-7:00
Student Union 240, North Campus

“Spring Foods in the Wilderness”
Thursday, March 31
6:00-8:00
UB Letchworth Woods (Meet at Student Union 142, North Campus)

“Men’s Group Mondays”
Monday, April 4
5:00-6:30
Student Union 114, North Campus

“Leading Self: Powering Through Burnout”
Monday, April 4
5:30-6:30
Student Union 235, North Campus