ISSS NEWSLETTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
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**DIFCON: OWNING OUR DIFFERENCES**

Join members of the UB community in UB’s “Difficult Conversations” series, which addresses challenging topics affecting the U.S. Learn how to navigate social and professional relationships across differences. Increase your capacity to negotiate your beliefs and values with those who may oppose them.

**Proposition:** Hate speech is fundamentally incompatible with an inclusive campus climate.
**Date:** Wednesday, April 19
**Time:** 12:00-1:30
**Place:** O’Brian Hall 104, North Campus
**Sponsored by UB Law School**

**Proposition:** Statues, flags, and other icons that serve as reminders of historical legacies of injustice should be removed from college and university campuses.
**Date:** Thursday, April 20
**Time:** 12:00-1:30
**Place:** Student Union 240, North Campus
**Sponsored by UB Libraries and UB Department of History**

**Proposition:** Campus judicial systems effectively balance the interests of both those who report sexual assault and those who are accused of it.
**Date:** Friday, April 21
**Time:** 12:00-1:30
**Place:** Student Union 240, North Campus
**Sponsored by Judicial Affairs and Student Advocacy, and Wellness Education Services**

Sponsored by UB’s Office of the Vice Provost for Equity and Inclusion

http://www.buffalo.edu/ubnow/stories/2017/04/difcon-spring-17.html

**SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH**

Every April, UB recognizes Sexual Assault Awareness Month as a time to raise public awareness about sexual violence, to educate and inspire our community to prevent it, and to provide support for members of our community who have experienced it. Throughout the month, there will be film screenings, workshops, and more. Get involved and attend an event!

Learn more at http://www.buffalo.edu/svp. Keep in touch #UBSAAM

Sponsored by UB’s Wellness Education Services
SPANISH CONVERSATION TABLE

Would you like to improve your Spanish conversation skills for class or personal use? Come have informal conversations while playing games and enjoying snacks. Interact with native speakers and learn about their cultures. Get to know other UB students through the use of Spanish.

Dates: Wednesdays, February 1 – May 10  
Time: 1:00-1:50  
Place: Clemens 218, North Campus

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. We meet each week, play games, talk and get to know each other. For more information: http://ub-counseling.buffalo.edu/tea.php.

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

Organizer: UB Counseling Services

ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTITUTE’S OPEN LAB

Open Lab is a free walk-in service providing listening and pronunciation practice with tapes. UB Card is required.

Days & Times: Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 3:00-5:00; Tuesdays, 2:00-4:00  
Place: Clemens Hall 1, North Campus

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

ISSS WORKSHOPS
“F-1 Employment Authorization: Curricular & Optional Practical Training”
Tuesday, April 18
3:30-4:50
Norton 214, North Campus

“H1-B Visas: An Information Session for Students”
Monday, April 24
3:00-3:50
Baldy Hall 110, North Campus

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TOUR OF AMISH COUNTRY
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Join us for a professionally guided trip through Western New York’s Amish Country. We will learn about the history, founding principles and daily lives of the Amish people as represented by the “old order” Amish of Chautauqua and Cattaraugus counties. Come find out about Amish culture and customs as we visit a bakery, a ferrier, a quilt shop, a sawmill, a tarp shop and a cheese shop.

Date: Saturday, April 22
Meeting Time: 8:30 a.m.
Meeting Place: Flint Loop, North Campus
Return Time: 5:30 p.m.
Cost: $31.50 (for round-trip transportation and tour) (non-refundable)
Sign-Up Deadline: 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19 (or when sold out)
Note: Guests must be 17 years old or older. Sorry, but children are not allowed on ISSS trips.

Sign-up at: https://www.ubevents.org/event/1617issstrips
http://wings.buffalo.edu/intlservices/documents/AmishCountry.pdf

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BPO ROCK SERIES: THE MUSIC OF PRINCE
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Come enjoy a fantastic tribute show by Brent Havens and the Windborne Music team! Combine dynamic orchestrations and performance of the BPO with the music of the incomparable Prince, add a full rock band and show lighting, and you have an experience not to be missed. Note: A South Campus (Main Loop) drop-off will be available after the concert.
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**CONCERT: MONSIEUR PERINE**

One of the leading bands in Colombia's new music scene, Monsieur Periné won the Latin Grammy Award for "Best New Artist." Rooted in gypsy jazz and celebrating the tradition of Django Reinhardt, Monsieur Perine’s fresh style adds a variety of Latin elements. Incorporating genres such as cumbia, son, bolero, tango, and samba, the band performs on traditional South American instruments. The pre-show talk will take place from 6:00-6:30 p.m. and is open to all.

*Date:* Tuesday, April 18  
*Performance Time:* 7:00 p.m.  
*Place:* Mainstage Theatre, Center for the Arts, North Campus

[http://www.ubcfa.org/event/100372/monsieur-perine](http://www.ubcfa.org/event/100372/monsieur-perine)

**GLOBAL CINEMASPECTIVES FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES: “THE MILL AND THE CROSS”**

Directed by Lech Majewski, “The Mill and the Cross” is inspired by Pieter Bruegel the Elder's 1564 painting “The Procession to Calvary”. The film focuses on a dozen of the 500 characters depicted in Bruegel's painting. It consists of a series of vignettes depicting everyday peasant life in Flanders, interspersed with monologues from some of the principal characters, including Bruegel explaining the structure and symbolism of his painting.

*Date:* Friday, April 21  
*Time:* 5:00-7:30  
*Place:* Capen Hall 262, North Campus
Prof. Krzysztof Ziarek, Department of Comparative Literature, UB, will introduce the film and lead a discussion following the screening.


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UB WORKSHOPS
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“Relax and Stress Less”
Tuesday, April 18
2:00-3:00
Student Union 210, North Campus

“What to Expect the First Year on the Job”
Tuesday, April 18
3:30-4:30
Student Union 330, North Campus

“Cheap, Easy Meals”
Tuesday, April 18
5:00-7:00
South Lake Village Community Center, North Campus

“You + Me = ? An Open Discussion about Relationships”
Thursday, April 20
12:30-1:30
Student Union 145C, North Campus

“Sex Part 2: Creating and Maintaining Healthy Relationships”
Friday, April 21
4:00-5:00
Student Union 240, North Campus