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New students – If you haven't already checked in with the Slutzker Center, please remember to do so immediately

- If you have trouble viewing this message, please view this email using your SYR email account. Every week we also post this SCIS Newsletter on the Slutzker Center website. <http://international.syr.edu/newsletters/index.html>
- Feeling sick? Pick up your over the counter medications at the Health Services Pharmacy. All purchases can be charged to your bursar account. Call 315-443-5691 if you want to know if your medicine is in the pharmacy. Call (315) 443-9005 if you're interested to get a flu shot ! - SU Health Services

International Day of Peace observed on the Quad



To mark the United Nations International Day of Peace on Friday, Sept. 21, as well as to start preparing the campus for the Dalai Lama's visit on Oct. 8 and 9, SU faculty, staff and students participated in forming a "living peace sign" on the Kenneth A. Shaw Quad at the lunch hour.

The activity was accompanied by the sounding of the Crouse Chimes and a moment of silence. Then, an a cappella group sang "A Song About Peace."

The events were planned in conjunction with "Eat Together for Peace," a weeklong program of food, arts and culture that is an invitation to take peacemaking personally. ET4P is an extension of the Perpetual Peace Project (PPP), organized and presented by The SU Humanities Center in The College of Arts and Sciences.

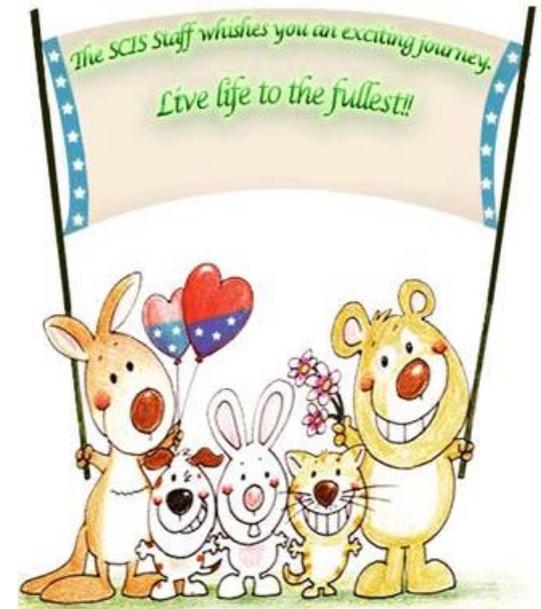
Check out the video for a more inside peek into the event. For more info click [here](#).



The Slutzker Center bids farewell to Garvey Liddie



The Slutzker Center for Int'l Services (SCIS) family bids farewell to Garvey Liddie, SEVIS Data Management Assistant. Garvey has been a staff member of the SCIS since March of 2009. During his tenure Garvey has not only brought his technical expertise, but his charismatic and enthusiastic spirit. His commitment and dedication to the SCIS mission went beyond expectations.



Syracuse to celebrate the 20th Festival of Races coming Sunday



On Sunday, the starting gun will go off to begin the Syracuse Festival of Races, a day filled with competition, fun and, of course, racing. This is the 20th year for the Festival of Races, which takes place in Syracuse University's backyard near Westcott Street. The races, which begin at 8:50 a.m. with the Men's 5K, attract local students as well as experienced, competitive runners from across the country.

World-class runners may come to Syracuse for the Festival of Races, but even more impressive than that is Nancy Auster, 86, who runs the race each year.

Auster got into running when she was 51, a later age than most, but that hasn't kept her from competing. She has run in almost 400 races since then, and has competed in the Festival of Races every year since it began.

Click [here](#) for the full story.

Japanese Student Association Presents – Kimono Dress Up, September 28th



JSA Kimono Dress-up

When: September 28 from 6pm~8pm

Where: Hall of Languages 202

What: Try on traditional Japanese clothing!

Bring your camera to take photos of you in yukata/kimono.

Japanese foods will be served by \$2~

Email: jsasyracuse@gmail.com

for any questions!



JSA will be hosting a Kimono Dress Up event this Friday, where students can try on traditional Japanese clothing at no charge. In addition to this, JSA will be selling Takenoko-Gohan (rice with edible bamboo sprouts) for \$2.00.

Source: [DailyOrange](#)

Come join us !
Bring your camera !
Take home a cool memory !

Check out the flyer for additional details.

English Conversation Program to be conducted for International Students



If you (or your spouse or partner) feel a need to improve your informal English language skills, please feel free to join one hour weekly meetings of the English conversation program. The conversation groups usually consist of 4 to 5 international students or scholars and one English speaking group leader. The group leader could be an S.U. student or someone from the Syracuse community.

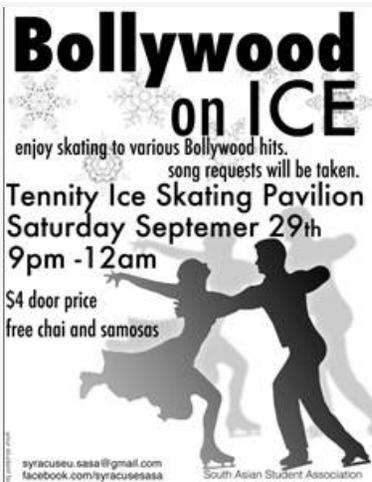
By joining this program you will have an opportunity to practice and improve your English language skills and also to learn more about life in the USA, while meeting new people and making new friends.

When : Weekly meetings will continue during this entire semester during regular office hours

Where : The Slutzker Center

In order to apply for this program please contact Riet DeKleermaeker, Coordinator of English Conversation Program at mdekleer@syr.edu. She will contact you by email to inform you about the day and time of your meetings.

Bollywood on Ice Event to be held on September 29th



The South Asian Students Association will be having its first event of the semester, entitled "Bollywood on Ice", this Saturday, September 29th, at Tennity Ice Skating Pavillion on South Campus, from 9 PM - 12 AM. The event will consist of ice skating to top bollywood, bhangra, and fusion songs. Skate rentals will be \$4 (with SU ID)

PS: Chai and Samosas will be served.

Looking for a getaway? The Fall Festival is on the way



The Greek Peak Mountain Resort Fall Festival means food, foliage and fun for the entire family. There will be a variety of activities and rides for everyone, from face and pumpkin painting, to bounce houses and wagon rides. Kids will love the Bubble Man and Ross Park Zoo's petting zoo. We will have a rock climbing wall and the Euro Bungee from our Adventure Center and so much more! There will be food, drinks and music to enjoy all day!

Date: Saturday October 13, 2012. 12pm – 5pm

Admission:

\$20.00 for adults (15 and over)

\$15.00 for ages 7-14

FREE for kids 6 and under

Included with Admission:

Wagon Rides, Bubblemania, Bounce Houses, Home Depot Activities, Petting Zoo, Chairlift Rides, Face Painting, Sheriff Department K-9 unit demonstrations, Vendors, Food and Drinks (excludes alcoholic beverages), And More.

EuroBungy: \$5.00

Wall Climbing: \$5.00

Pumpkin Painting \$1.00 per pumpkin

Charicature Drawings \$5.00

Paintball: TBD

Massage \$5.00

For more details visit their [page](#).



SU News and Trending Topics

Syracuse field hockey team ranked No. 1 in the nation



For the second time in program history, the Syracuse field hockey team (9-0) is No. 1 in the nation in the Division I Coaches Poll, which was released Tuesday.

The Orange had been ranked second in the country for the past three weeks after the team's Sept. 1 overtime win over then-No. 2 North Carolina. This promoted ranking came after a pair of shutout victories in New Jersey, including a 2-0 win over No. 3 Princeton on Sunday.

Source : [Dailyorange](#)

National Children's Mental Health Summit Sept. 27-29 in Syracuse

Trauma, psychiatric medications, family therapy, nutrition and systems reform are a sampling of topics experts from across the country will discuss at the Children's Mental Health Summit, Sept. 27-29 in Syracuse. It's All About Childhood & Family, Inc., along with event co-sponsors, including the David B. Falk College of Sport and Human Dynamics at Syracuse University, its Department of Marriage and Family Therapy and the Gifford Foundation, have assembled a series of internationally renowned speakers for the summit themed, "Reclaiming Childhood: A New Perspective on Improving Social-Emotional, Behavioral and Mental Wellness." For more information visit FALK College [website](#).



The SU SUsustainable CommuNitY Film Series starts 27th September

Schedule of Movies to be showcased

The Syracuse University SUsustainable CommuNitY Film Series will begin on Sept. 27 with a striking documentary about the impact on China of its massive industrial revolution, and conclude in mid-November with a peek under the hood of our nation's highly mechanized food industry.

In all, the series will feature five award-winning documentaries, each addressing a different sustainability challenge. All screenings will begin at 6:15 p.m. in the Noble Room of Hendricks Chapel. A modest meal will be provided to attendees before each film gets under way. Following each movie, two "conversation starters" will facilitate a conversation on the feature's sustainability implications. Admission is free and open to students, faculty and staff.

Click [here](#) for more info.

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| Sept. 27 | Manufactured Landscapes |
| Oct. 4 | Blue Gold |
| Oct. 18 | Six Degrees Could Change the World |
| Nov. 1 | Strange Days on Planet Earth |
| Nov. 15 | Food, Inc. |

U.S. Embassy Announces New Visa Processing System In India



Applicants will encounter changes to appointment and fee payment procedures starting September 26.

The U.S. Embassy in India announced on September 5 that it is implementing a new visa processing system at all U.S. consular posts in India. The changes will impact fee payment and appointment scheduling.

Changes to Appointment Scheduling

Effective September 26, 2012, individuals who need to make consular visa appointments will be able to do so through a new website [here](#). Applicants will also be able to schedule appointments through a call center. Call center agents will answer questions in Hindi, English, Punjabi, Gujarati, Tamil, and Telugu. Call centers will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. IST on Monday through Friday and from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. IST on Sunday. The telephone numbers are (91 120) 660 2222 or (91 22) 6720 9400 in India or 1.310.616.5424 in the United States. Applicants can email requests for appointments in English or Hindi to support-india@ustraveldocs.com, or they can chat with information agents directly on the new website during call center hours. There is currently no fee for using the call center. In addition, visa applicants will be able to pay visa application fees via electronic fund transfer (EFT), through their mobile telephones, or in cash at branches of Axis Bank and Citibank.

Separate Biometric Appointment

Under the new system, many first-time applicants and some renewal applicants will have to make two appointments. Prior to their visa interviews, many first-time applicants and a smaller number of renewal applicants will have to visit an Offsite Facilitation Center (OFC) to submit their fingerprints and a photo. OFCs are located apart from the embassy and consulates in Delhi, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, and Mumbai.

Passport Delivery

Under the new system, passports, visas, immigrant visa packets, and other documents will be delivered to 33 document pickup locations across India within a week at no charge. Applicants will be asked to choose a delivery location when they schedule their appointments and will be able to track the progress of their visa application on the website. When documents are ready for pickup, applicants will be notified via email and/or short message service (SMS) on their mobile telephones.

Implications

Individual applicants and their employers should factor into their planning the need for two separate appointments as well as the potential for delays or glitches as this new system is implemented. We will monitor developments in this area and publish additional Immigration Alerts as warranted.



Source: [JDSUPRA](#) Link to official release located [here](#).

Unsung Heroes Nomination 2013



The Syracuse University Martin Luther King Jr. 2013 Celebration committee seeks nominations for the Unsung Heroes Awards, which will be presented during the 28th Annual MLK Celebration in the Carrier Dome in January 2013. The awards are presented annually to people who, in the spirit of Dr. King's "beloved community", have made a positive difference in the lives of others, but who are not widely recognized for their efforts.



ONLINE NOMINATION - [Click Here](#)
PDF NOMINATION FORM - [Click Here](#)

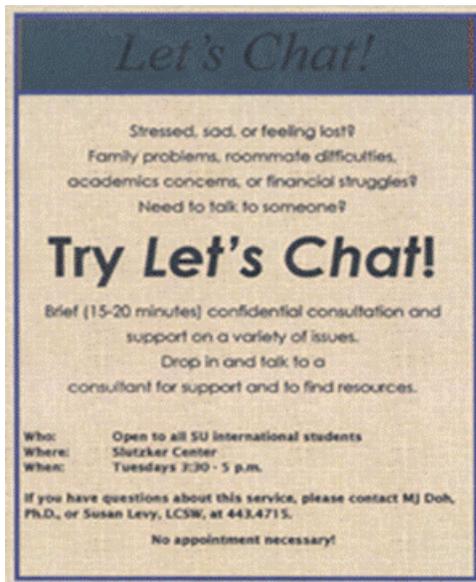
Please send nomination forms to:

Awards Committee
Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee
Hendricks Chapel
Syracuse University
Syracuse, NY 13244-1110

Nominations may be made in any of the following categories:

- Youth/Teen from Onondaga County or the immediate surrounding counties
- Adult from Onondaga County or the immediate surrounding counties
- Student at SU or SUNY ESF
- Faculty or Staff from SU or SUNY ESF

Let's Chat!



Family problems, roommate difficulties, academic concerns, or financial struggles? Stressed, sad, or feeling lost? Need to talk to someone?

Try Let's Chat!

Brief (15-20 minutes) confidential consultation and support on a variety of issues.

Drop in and talk to a consultant for support and to find resources.

Who: Open to all SU international students

When: Slutzker Center

When: Tuesdays 3:30pm – 5:00pm

No appointments necessary!

For questions about this service, contact MJ Doh, Ph.D., or Susan Levy, LCWS, at 443-4715

Keeping Catholic in Turbulent Times, October 15th



SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY
The College of Arts and Sciences
Department of Religion



Please join us for the Inaugural Joseph and Amelia Borgognoni Lecture
in Catholic Theology and Religion and Society

Kathleen Kennedy Townsend
"Keeping Catholic in Turbulent Times"

Monday, Oct. 15, 2012

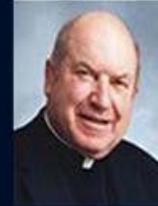
7 p.m.
Maxwell Auditorium
Reception to follow

Click here for more information about this:
[Lecture Parking Campus Map](#)

Questions: Deborah Pratt, 315-443-3863 / depratt@su.edu

A Special Announcement from The College of Arts and Sciences

Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, the eldest daughter of the late Robert Kennedy, is the author of "Failing America's Faithful: How Today's Churches Are Mixing God With Politics and Losing Their Way" (Warner Books, 2007).



Monsignor Charles L. Borgognoni (a.k.a. Fther Charles) established the Joseph and Amelia Borgognoni Fund in memory of his parents, to promote the study of Catholic theology and religion in society. During his 30 years on campus, he served as the Roman Catholic chaplain of the St. Thomas More Campus Ministry, raised more than \$1 million for the construction of the John C. Alibrandi Catholic Center, and was chaplain of the SU football and basketball programs. Monsignor Borgognoni was a visionary, teacher, mentor, and friend to students and faculty alike. Augmented by leadership gifts from SU friends and alumni, the Borgognoni Fund exemplifies the affinity he felt for the University.

Click here to make a gift to the Borgognoni Fund.
https://secure.syr.edu/giving/thecollege_giving.aspx.

Sponsored by the Borgognoni Fund for Catholic Theology and Religion in Society, with additional support from the Campbell Public Affairs Institute in the Maxwell School and the Religion and Society Program in The College of Arts and Sciences.

Mix-It-Up Fall Schedule – Only 2 Meetings Remaining for the Fall Semester



"Mix it Up"
FALL 2012

ALL Students Are Welcome Bring
a friend and Make a Friend
Sharing
Food, Fun, & Stories
with Students from Around the
World

MEETINGS

August 31 September 14 September 21 September 28
Location: Shine Student Center 304
October 5 @ SCIS
Location: Sutzker Center, 330 Walnut Place



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Sponsor: The Sutzker Center for International Services, 330 Walnut Place

An SCIS initiative to further the Chancellor's mandate of Scholarship in Action and the Division of Student Affairs goals to Enliven Education through Engaged Citizenship and Inclusive Communities. Meets most Fridays at 5:00 P.M. Schedule for this term is available below:

September 28 @ Schine 304

October 12 @ Sutzker Center

Originally begun as a comprehensive program to prepare students for [study abroad](#) and to keep students connected to the skills and knowledge garnered internationally upon return to the home campus, *Mix It Up* is now hosted by SCIS to embrace all groups on campus, providing them with a space for dialogue and opportunities to work together on fun projects that focus on the international on the campus and in the city of Syracuse. Discussions and lectures explore identity, intercultural communication, and integration on the SU campus.



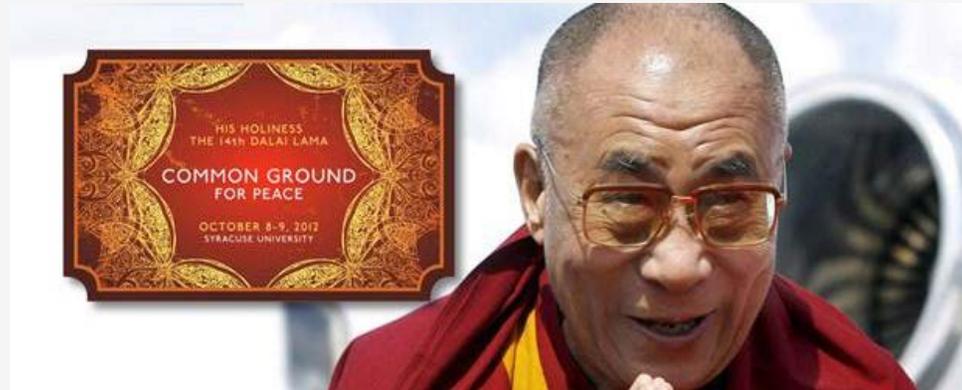
OCTOBER 9, 2012

One World Concert

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY CARRIER DOME

Featuring

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| Don Was and his All-Star Band | Andy Grammer | Souad Massi | Natasha Bedingfield |
| Dave Matthews | Matisyahu | David Sanborn | Joanne Shenandoah |
| Counting Crows | Swizz Beatz | Andy Madadian | Voices of Afghanistan |
| Philip Phillips | Cyndi Lauper | Liel Kolet | Engelbert Humperdink |
| Nas | Bebe Winans | Roberta Flack | <i>with</i> |
| A.R. Rahman | Angélique Kidjo | Nelly Furtado | Whoopi Goldberg |
| | David Crosby | Emmanuel Jal | |



[Read more about the One World Concert](#)

[Learn more about the One World artists](#)

To Purchase Click [HERE](#) or Call the Carrier Dome Box Office at 888-DOMETIX (366-3849) or 443-2121.

Full-time Course of Study



NOTE: For Syracuse University F-1 students, a full-time course load is required during the Fall and Spring semesters. Full time enrollment means **Graduate** students must enroll for at least **9 credits** every semester. **Undergraduate** students must register for at least **12 credits** every semester. Students are not required to enroll in courses during the Summer. However, **if Summer session is your first semester** then you must maintain full time enrollment of at least 6 credits for that summer session.

Under Federal Immigration Rules, **to maintain F-1 status, no more than 3 online credits per semester may count towards the "full course of study" requirement.** For example, a graduate student required to register for 9 credits per semester to maintain full time status can take only 3 of those credits through an on-line class each semester – **6 credits must be live, in classroom courses.**

However, an F-1 student can take as many on-line or distance education as they wish (with SCIS's approval) during the Summer or over Winter break.

If it is your last semester and fewer than 12 credits are required to graduate for undergrads and 9 credits for grads; it is acceptable to carry only those credits required to complete your degree. **If a student needs less than a full course load in the final semester to finish his/her degree, the course(s) cannot be taken solely online or as distance education. You must be enrolled in a live, in classroom course during your last semester.**

Students considering on-line courses or courses at a different institution should first discuss the plan with an SCIS advisor. It is necessary to maintain valid F-1 status at all times.

If you are taking less than 9 credits this semester you must fill out a Certificate of Full-Time Status http://international.syr.edu/documents/forms/full_time_status_certification-Jan04.pdf

If this is your last semester you will have to fill out the Last Semester Memo <http://international.syr.edu/documents/forms/2008lastsemestermemo-su.pdf>

Meeting Your Health Requirements



MEETING YOUR HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Please be certain that you are currently enrolled in an approved health insurance policy for the upcoming 2012 – 2013 academic year. If you have renewed or changed your health insurance please provide the Slutzker Center with an updated copy of it via e-mail lescis@syr.edu or in person. If you have questions, or need helping enrolling in an approved health insurance policy, please make an appointment with an adviser at the Slutzker Center, or see Linda Deon at the Health Center for assistance.

Syracuse University Health Services has determined that many international students are not in compliance with immunization requirements defined by New York State public health law. Enrolled students found not to be in compliance risk strict administrative consequences including **inability to register, suspension of I.D. card privileges, and may be required to leave campus.**

You must be in compliance with these immunization requirements in order to remain on campus.

The Health Service will be sending an email to all those who are not in compliance via the syr.edu email address. Please watch for that notice (check your syr.edu email address!). If your registration is cancelled, you will also lose your F-1 or J-1 student status. Don't put yourself at risk. Contact the Health Service as soon as you receive that email!



South Asia Center Schedule of Events

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| <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 24px; color: #8B4513;">South Asia Center</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 12px;">invites you to:</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 20px; font-weight: bold;">Hindi-Urdu Table</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 18px; font-weight: bold;">Fall 2012</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; gap: 10px;"> </div> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">आप का स्वागत है!</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">خوش آمدید</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 12px;">Please join us for some chai and conversation. All are welcome to attend, from beginners to native speakers.</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">Wednesday, September 5th</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">Wednesday, September 19th</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">Wednesday, October 3rd</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">Wednesday, October 31st</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">Wednesday, November 28th</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">3:30 pm – 5:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px;">352 Eggers Hall</p> <div style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 18px; color: #8B4513;">MOYNIHAN</div> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 14px; color: #8B4513;">@Maxwell</p> | <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 24px; color: #8B4513;">South Asia Center</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 18px; color: #8B4513;">Fall 2012 Speaker Series</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Thursday, September 13th, 4:00 pm</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Maxwell Auditorium</p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>Clinical Encounters and Citizenship</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>Projects in South India</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Lucinda Ramberg</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Department of Anthropology, Cornell University</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">(Co-sponsored by Department of Anthropology)</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Tuesday, October 30th, 12:30 pm</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">341 Eggers Hall</p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>Memory, History, Conflict and Claim:</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>Rishabhdeo temple, Rajasthan</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Anisha Saxena</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Center for Historical Research, Jawahar Lal Nehru University</p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Tuesday, September 25th, 12:30 pm</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">341 Eggers Hall</p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>The Age of the Sockle: Postcoloniality,</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>Culture and Maxims in Bengal</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Anirito Majumder</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Department of English, Syracuse University</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Tuesday, November 6th, 12:50 pm</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">341 Eggers Hall</p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>The ITTs and the Social Life of Caste</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Ajanta Subramanian</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Department of Anthropology, Harvard University</p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Tuesday, October 23rd, 12:30 pm</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">341 Eggers Hall</p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>India: The Disposable Nation?</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Vikash Yadav</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Political Science Department, Mohan and William Smith Colleges</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">(Co-sponsored by Department of Political Science)</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Tuesday, November 27th, 12:30 pm</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">341 Eggers Hall</p> <p style="font-size: 12px; color: #8B4513;"><i>Pakistani Cinema in the 1950s</i></p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Iftikhar Dadi</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">Department of History of Arts & Visual Studies, Cornell University</p> <p style="font-size: 12px;">(Co-sponsored by Department of Art and Music History)</p> </div> </div> |
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There's a lot happening in downtown Syracuse the next few weeks! Check it out here:
<http://t.co/2B35dvC8>

Photography Exhibit at Central Library

"We're Ba-ack!" is the title of Jim Budrakey's display of colorful photographs showing the amazing flowers that his wife, Susan, grows in their garden. His photos have won several awards and his work has appeared multiple times in Shutterbug magazine and the Everson Museum. In addition, his photographs are on permanent display at the Syracuse International Airport.

When - 09/29/2012
09/28/2012, 09/27/2012

Time - 9:00 am

Where - Downtown
Robert P. Kinchen Central Library
447 South Salina Street
Syracuse, NY 13202

Cost - Free

Website - <http://www.onlib.org/>

Telephone - 315-435-1834

Email - rpushlar@onlib.org



Join us on Facebook, Follow us on Twitter and stay informed and updated about news, important announcements, seminar schedules, events, insights, galleries and much more!!

Scan the QR code to go to our new website.

Some great upcoming events through the Whitman School. Be sure to visit [their calendar page](#) often for professional development opportunities, programmatic offerings, open-houses and more.



E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors List

The lists below cover employers and federal contractors enrolled in E-Verify through March 15, 2012. The federal contractors listed within self-reported that their contract has the E-Verify FAR clause. The lists contain the following:

- Business name (the name which was used during registration with E-Verify, whether the legal name of the business or individual, a trade name or abbreviation)
 - Federal Contractor Identifier (yes/no)
 - Federal Contractor Employee verification (all new hires or entire workforce)
 - Employer city, state and ZIP code used at registration
 - Workforce size (five or more)
- [E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors \(AK-AZ\) as of March 15, 2012](#) (XLS)
 - [E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors \(CA-CT\) as of March 15, 2012](#) (XLS)
 - [E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors \(DC-MA\) as of March 15, 2012](#) (XLS)
 - [E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors \(MD-NJ\) as of March 15, 2012](#) (XLS)
 - [E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors \(NM-SC\) as of March 15, 2012](#) (5863KB XLS)
 - [E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors \(SD-WY\) as of March 15, 2012](#) (XLS)

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CPT/OPT seminars

An advisor will be able to process your CPT or OPT on one of the days listed below:

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|------------|---------------------|
| October 2 | - 10:00am - 12:00pm |
| October 4 | - 10:00am - 12:00pm |
| October 9 | - 10:00am - 12:00pm |
| October 11 | - 10:00am - 12:00pm |

You should never spend time searching for your documents in an emergency situation. **REMEMBER**, while you want to do your best to protect your valuable property, your personal safety is the highest importance in emergency!

A Reminder About Optional Practical Training EAD Cards

F-1 students who have obtained authorization for Optional Practical Training from the USCIS are reminded to please email a copy of their EAD cards (front + back) to the SCIS at lescis@syr.edu so that we can keep a copy for your files. Having a photocopy in the SCIS could become very important to you in the future, if we need to verify your F-1 status or if the card is lost or stolen.

Important Reminder from Human Resources

International students who have jobs on campus (GA positions, TA positions, RA positions and hourly wage assignments) are reminded to be sure to copy the appropriate Human Resources Office on campus for any change of U.S. address. Be sure to look at your address on your most recent pay stub. If it is not accurate, report it to your department or office where you work so that the address can be updated by your department. If you are on any payroll, your change of address is needed so that you can receive your W-2 Wage and Tax Statement forms in late January, as well as any checks that may be coming to you if you are leaving at the end of this semester.

Also, if you have obtained a social security number since starting work, it is essential that you report your social security number to your payroll office for W-2 purposes. If you are uncertain whether or not this is a problem for you, check your most recent pay stub, and look to see if your social security number as well as your current address are included properly.

Meeting Your Health Requirements



Please be certain that you are currently enrolled in an approved health insurance policy for the 2012 academic year. If you have renewed or changed your health insurance please provide the Slutzker Center with an updated copy of it via e-mail lescis@syr.edu or in person. If you have questions, or need help enrolling in an approved health insurance policy, please make an appointment with an adviser at the Slutzker Center, or see Linda Deon at the Health Center for assistance.

Syracuse University Health Services has determined that many international students are not in compliance with immunization requirements defined by New York State public health law. Enrolled students found not to be in compliance risk strict administrative consequences including **inability to register, suspension of I.D. card privileges, and may be required to leave campus.**

You must be in compliance with these immunization requirements in order to remain on campus.

The Health Service will be sending an email to all those who are not in compliance via the syr.edu email address. Please watch for that notice (check your syr.edu email address!). If your registration is cancelled, you will also lose your F-1 or J-1 student status. Don't put yourself at risk. Contact the Health Service as soon as you receive that email!

Transferring out of SU?



If you are planning to transfer out of SU, the immigration regulatory process for **transferring** your F-1 status from Syracuse University to a new school in the United States requires you to complete a Transfer Out Form with the SCIS so that your federal SEVIS record can be transferred to your new school. The Transfer Out Form and more detailed information may be found on our website: <http://international.syr.edu/current-students/maintaining-visa-status/transfer-out.html>

Is this your last semester at SU?



Students who will be completing their studies this May but have no plans to apply for practical training (F-1), academic training (J-1) or continue at a new school or in a new field or level of study (i.e. Master's, J.D., Ph.D), or seek a change of non-immigrant status must depart the United States within 60 days of their academic program end date if they are in F-1 status (see item #5 on your current I-20), or within 30 days if they are in J-1 status.

Studying Abroad?



Planning to Study Abroad during the **Spring 2013** semester? If so, please talk to an international advisor at the Slutzker Center soon. There are steps which you must

take in order to insure your continued non-immigrant status for re-entry to the U.S

IMMIGRATION UPDATES



Don't Be Fooled by Copycat Immigration-Help Sites



Some private websites that charge to prepare immigration forms mimic the look and feel of official government sites, leading users to mistakenly believe they are dealing directly with the government and paying USCIS fees. Many copycat sites add to the confusion by charging applicants the same amount for preparing an immigration form that USCIS charges for filing that same form.

As a result, some applicants have sent forms to USCIS without submitting the filing fees. These applicants mistakenly believed they had paid the USCIS filing fee when they paid the private firm for preparing the forms.

To learn more, visit: <http://blog.uscis.gov/2011/09/dont-be-fooled-by-copycat-immigration.html>

International Students and Arrests



Although it is not a pleasant subject, there are a few situations where an international student might be arrested in the United States and charged with a crime. Common misdemeanor or felony arrests can include theft, drunk driving, shoplifting (stealing goods from a store without paying for them) and drug possession (with or without intent to sell).

Binghamton University has published an article that discusses the consequences such arrests can create with a student's U.S. immigration status, even if the charges themselves are dismissed or reduced. The article may be viewed at: <http://www2.binghamton.edu/iss/publications/instuarrest.html>

Housing and Safety



Keeping Good Rental Records



Lack of knowledge regarding leases or other rental agreements can cause a variety of problems. By keeping records of rental repair requests, security deposit disputes, and other important issues related to rental agreements, you can alleviate many of these types of problems. The most frustrating problems occur when the tenant cannot document their grievances. To prevent this, start a rental file as soon as you sign the lease and add to it throughout your lease term. A rental file is easy to keep, considering the money you may recover through rental modification or qualifying for full return on your security deposit. If a rental problem arises, it is easier to negotiate a solution with the landlord when you have written records that show the extent of the problem, what you asked the landlord to do about it, and how the landlord responded.

Your Rental File Should Hold:

A Rental Log

Use a simple notebook to write all dates and times you contacted or tried to contact your landlord; make a note of any discussion. Logs are a useful permanent record of how the landlord did or did not respond to problems.

Apartment Condition Checklist

This is proof of the condition of the apartment when you move in and out. Keep a copy and send the original to the landlord by certified mail and return receipt.

Correspondence With Your Landlord

Make any complaints or concerns in writing and keep copies on file. All verbal requests should be followed up in writing with copies in your file.

Reports

Keep copies of the Certificate of Suitability, building inspection reports, police reports, and any other reports from other agencies.

Photographs

Photos may be the evidence you need to document a repair or security deposit problem. Photos should be dated and signed by a witness.

Housing Update: Address Change



Address Change?

All International Students and Scholars that will be moving into their new on-campus and off-campus housing must update their US Address where you will be living during this Fall semester via your **"MySlice self-service"** and select CURR address.

You must update your address immediately in order to be in compliance with the Immigration Regulations. If you do not update your address we will not be able to register your record with SEVIS and you will be jeopardizing your Immigration requirements to comply with reporting changes of addresses while you are here in the USA studying at Syracuse University.

Please always update your address within 10 days of your move on MySlice.

Department of Public Safety Reminder



FOR YOUR SAFETY, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- To safeguard your personal property—DO NOT LEAVE YOUR PROPERTY UNATTENDED
- On campus after dark, use DPS' free escort service. Off campus, use SU Home (it's free), call 443-SAFE (7233) for more information about these services.
- Centro Bus or taxi service.
- Walk, bike or jog in groups of three or more – away from bushes, cars, and other objects a suspect could hide behind.
- Look and listen. Headphones and cell phones can create tunnel vision.
- Travel in well-lighted and well-traveled areas.
- Keep porch lights on at night.
- Don't approach strangers or let them get close to you.
- If you think someone is following you, switch directions or cross the street. Go toward an open business or lighted house.
- Have your house or car keys in hand before you reach your door.
- Know where "Blue Light" phones are and how to use them.
- If someone tries to rob you, don't resist. Give up your property, not your life.
- Try to get a description of the suspect(s) and any associated vehicle & tag number.

"Your Safety and Security at Syracuse University" is part of Syracuse University's ongoing commitment to the prevention of crime. It is available online at:
<http://publicsafety.syr.edu/PublicSafety/ckfinder/userfiles/files/2011%20Clery.pdf>

Protect your Property



All your personal belongings are insured against a wide range of losses. The SCIS supports this policy and we encourage every student to have this insurance.

- Laptops, cell phones, jewelry, watches, iPods, cameras, clothes, books, sports equipment, furniture **all** your “stuff” is covered. You’re insured for countless types of losses, including theft, vandalism, fire, and accidental damage.
- Worldwide coverage on and **off** campus (in your apartment, in a foreign country, “at home”, in storage, or anywhere else they may be).
- Property of the University is covered while in your care
- Buy \$4,000 of coverage for less than \$94! Also there is up to \$20,000 coverage available for an annual premium of only \$250.

For more information about our student personal property program, call 1-866-535-0456 and ask for a college specialist to assist you. Or better yet Enroll online! It’s fast and easy. Simply log on to: www.haylor.com/student or send an e-mail to: student@haylor.com

Motivational Quotes of the Week:



“The tree laden with fruits always bends low. If you wish to be great, be lowly and meek.”

– **Sri Ramakrishna Paramahansa**

“Nobody can make you feel inferior without your permission.”

– **Eleanor Roosevelt**

“Go to the people. Learn from them. Live with them. Start with what they know. Build with what they have. The best of leaders when the job is done, when the task is accomplished, the people will say we have done it ourselves.”

– **Lao Tzu**

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

– **Nelson Mandela**

“Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened.”

– **Dr. Seuss**

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