Have all Your Documents with you! If you are travelling within the U.S., you must still carry with you your passport, I-94 card and original I-20/DS-2019. The U.S. Border Patrol often inspects documents at train stations, bus stations, and airports. If you do not have your original documents, you could be fined $100, or detained until your status can be verified.

If you are travelling outside the U.S., you must make sure you have a valid visa stamp to re-enter the U.S., as well as an unexpired passport valid for at least 6 months into the future, and a blue travel signature from SCIS on your I-20/DS-2019 within the last 1 year (or if you are on OPT, the last 6 months). If you are on OPT, you must also have a valid EAD card and job offer letter to re-enter the United States.

Worried that your flight might be delayed? Please contact your airline, the airport and check this website - http://www.fly.faa.gov

Planning to Travel?

Planning to travel outside the United States during the Thanksgiving or Winter Break - please get your I-20 or DS-2019 (for J-1 students or scholars) signed as soon as possible!

The Slutzker Center for International Services will offer additional Travel Seminars starting on Monday, November 29 through Wednesday, December 22, seminars will be held every business day at the Slutzker Center. When you come for the seminar, please make sure to bring your original I-20/DS-2019, passport, visa, I-94 card, and proof of health insurance. Your health insurance should contain medical evacuation and repatriation. If it does not, you must purchase the supplemental MedEx policy, which costs $25/person per year.  http://international.syr.edu/medex_application.htm

Additional Travel Seminars:
Monday - 5.00pm
Tuesday - 10.00am
Wednesday - 1.30pm
Thursday- 11.00am
Friday - 12.00pm
Also Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month @1:30pm and every Friday @ 12p.m.

If you have additional questions about travel, and cannot attend a travel seminar, please stop by the SCIS during "ADVISOR ON CALL" hours daily: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving Break!

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All residence halls will open for the Spring 2011 semester at 12 noon, Friday, January 14, 2011. Ernie Davis will be open for dining that evening from 4:30 p.m. – 9 p.m. All dining centers will return to regular operating hours on Saturday, January 15, 2011. Please note that this game is not a part of the student season ticket package.

Effective November 23, 2010 USCIS will increase the OPT application fee from $340 to $380.

- On November 24th there will be no classes but the university offices are open
- In observance of Thanksgiving Holiday there will be no classes and the university offices will be closed on November 25 and 26.

The Clock is Ticking on Some Practical Training Applications:

F-1 students who will be graduating in December 2010 and plan to apply for post-completion Optional Practical Training (OPT) are reminded that they must submit their application paperwork to the SCIS, and then send the processed documents to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) so that it is received at the USCIS no later than 60 days after their degree conferral date, which this year is December 17, 2010.

F-1 students who have not yet begun the practical training application process are urged to do so soon so that you will have the best possible opportunity to obtain your employment authorization card in a timely manner. Currently, it is taking the USCIS Service Centers approximately 12 weeks to process OPT employment authorization applications. Employment cannot begin until you have the card “in your hands.”

- Also, a student in F-1 or J-1 status cannot be employed away from the Syracuse University campus unless they have obtained appropriate federal authorization to do so before employment can begin. This includes internships, research and volunteer work.

Thanksgiving Break Buses

SU Student Association also to Provide Thanksgiving Break Buses

Contact: Dan Scorpio or Mika Posecion at syrsabus@gmail.com
This semester, the Syracuse University Student Association will be providing round-trip buses for Thanksgiving Break. Buses will serve four major Northeastern cities: New York City, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington, D.C. The price of this round-trip service is $99. Students will be departing Schine Student Center at SU on **Tuesday, November 23, 2010 at 5:00 pm**, and departing the designated locations on **Sunday, November 28, 2010 at 10:00 am** to return to campus. Each bus has a maximum capacity of 56 passengers. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Designated locations are the major transportation destinations of each city:
- **New York City**: Port Authority, 625 8th Ave.,
- **Philadelphia**: Greyhound Terminal, 1001 Filbert St.
- **Boston**: South Station, 700 Atlantic Ave.
- **Washington, D.C.**: Union Station, 50 Massachusetts Ave. NE

Tickets go on sale Thursday, August 26, at the Schine Box Office.
It’s Break Time!!!

Very Important Reminders to Protect Your Apartment

- Make sure all windows are securely locked and have curtains on them.
- Lock sliding doors, and place a wooden or metal bar in the track of the doors.
- Unplug all electrical items. Refrigerators and lights with timers can remain plugged in.
- Do not hide spare keys outside.
- Be sure there is good lighting around doors, especially those doors not visible from the street.
- Use a light timer that automatically turns on interior and exterior lights at a preset time or when there is motion.
- Ask the post office to hold your mail until you return from break. Forms are available at www.usps.com. Complete the form and put it in your mailbox.
- Do not leave any valuable items near windows. Take valuables home with you, arrange for a neighbor to watch over your house, or store your valuables while you are away.
- If you have a security alarm, make sure you turn it on when leaving.
- Make sure beds, couches, and other flammable objects are at least 2 feet away from heat sources.
- Remove all air conditioner units from windows.
- Keep your thermostat set to a temperature no lower than 55°F. You must keep your apartment heated all winter long so that your pipes will not freeze—even while nobody is living in the house. Frozen pipes cause extensive and expensive damage to a home’s plumbing and heating systems. If you turn off your heat, you could be responsible for repairs!

Report all crime and any suspicious activity to:

SYRACUSE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CALL: 911

Information brought to you by the Office of Off-Campus and Commuter Services and distributed by Adopt-A-Street organizations
Bundle Up

Dress appropriately before going outdoors. The air temperature does not have to be below freezing for someone to experience cold emergencies such as hypothermia and frostbite. Wind speed can create dangerously cold conditions even when the temperature is not that low.

Dress in layers so you can adjust to changing conditions. Avoid overdressing or overexertion that can lead to heat illness.

Most of your body heat is lost through your head so wear a hat, preferably one that covers your ears.

Mittens provide more warmth to your hands than gloves. Wear waterproof, insulated boots to help avoid hypothermia or frostbite by keeping your feet warm and dry and to maintain your footing in ice and snow.

Get out of wet clothes immediately and warm the core body temperature with a blanket or warm fluids like hot cider or soup. Avoid drinking caffeine or alcohol if you expect you or someone you are trying to help has hypothermia or frostbite.

Information taken from the American Red Cross: http://www.redcrosscny.org/general_calltoaction.asp?CTA=4&SN=9343&OP=9344&IDCapitulo=IPGTCBM8RW

Wegman’s Lights on the Lake
Wednesday, November 24, 2010 - Sunday, January 9, 2011
5 - 10pm • Open Nightly except New Year’s Eve
Onondaga Lake Park, Liverpool NY
Lights on the Lake is a two mile long DRIVE-THRU show featuring:

- Towering Holiday Displays
- Larger-than-Life Land of Oz
- Twinkling Fantasy Forest
- Colorful Section Arches
- Delightful Victorian Village
- Fairytale Magic Grand Finale
- Memorable Animated Scenes

Admission:

- Monday-Thursday - $8.00 per car - show your Wegmans Shoppers Club Card for $2 off on Mondays and Tuesdays. Visitors with a Driver’s Village or Burdick Automotive license plate frame will get $2 off on Wednesdays.
- Friday, Saturday & Sunday - $12 per car

For more information, call (315) 453-6712 or email olp@ongov.net

LGBT Resource Center Events: Transgender Day of Remembrance Events 2010
This Saturday, November 20th is International Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDOR). Established in 1998 to bring awareness to the violence experienced by people who identify as Transgender and/or Gender Non-Conforming, TDOR remembers those we have lost to violence and hatred, but also offers a call for change.

In light of the recent suicides covered by the media, the immediacy in spreading the message of “You Are Not Alone” seems increasingly more urgent. Please help us commemorate TDOR by showing your support and working to make it better for those marginalized within our community.

Questions about any of the information above may be directed to the LGBT Resource Center at lgbt@syr.edu or 443-3983. Thank you!

Gallery at the Art Store

What: Opening of a unique new art gallery in Syracuse without commissions, juries or fees. Our CNY non-profit gallery!

Who: All artists, photographers, sculptors or art talent, student or professional, of all ages, who want to show their art

Where: Gallery at The Art Store, 935 Erie Blvd. East, Syracuse, New York

Why: To encourage and support our local artistic talent to be creative and share their art with others.

When: There will be an opening event on Saturday, November 20th from 11.00am till 1.00pm of a celebrity book signing. All art shows will be on display during store hours, Monday-Friday 9am-7pm and Saturdays 10am-5pm.

How: Please come fill out an entry form while visiting the GALLERY. A random drawing will take place each month for two artists to show work. One or two pieces of work will be shown by each artist. Artists may display their biography and asking price along
with their work during their chosen month. One entry per day but you may enter as often as you like for your chance.

News: The first show will be inviting you to a children’s book signing of THE PUCK HOG. Christie Casciano Burns is the author and her sister Rose Mary Moziak is the featured illustrator of the book. Rose Mary Moziak will have all of her original artwork for this book displayed for viewing. This wonderful little book is about youth hockey and our very own Crunch team mascot “Al” will be there with the celebrity author and illustrator to personally autograph books.

Contact: The Art Store, George Ross, Ph#474-1000

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Drive

From Hendricks Chapel

This November, the Office of Engagement Programs in Hendricks will be organizing our annual Thanksgiving Dinner Drive to help provide important Thanksgiving ingredients for those in the community who may struggle to afford them.

We are asking for items that make sense in the context of Thanksgiving, which includes but is not limited to-

- gift cards from local grocery store for a turkey
- boxes of prepared stuffing
- cans of vegetable broth
- boxes of Bisquick
- cans of cranberry sauce
- cans of yams
- cans of corn or green beans
- bags of fresh apples
- bags of potatoes

We will be accepting donations in our office (in the lower level of the Chapel) and there will be a donation box in the Noble Room of the Chapel around the corner from People's Place. Feel free to come by the office or drop items off in the box, although we suggest that you do not leave money or gift cards in the box.

Finally, after two weeks of collecting items, we will be having a PACKAGING PARTY in the Noble Room on Wednesday, November 17 from 12pm to 3pm. We will have pizza and music and be putting together boxes of items for individual families. We will also make cards for families! This will take place all afternoon, so feel free to stop in between classes or meetings and see how it’s going, you can come and go as your schedule permits (we know you are busy!).

If you or your organization would like more information on how to help out, please contact Erica Monnin at engagesu@syr.edu

International Student Support Group every Thursday @3:00pm at the Slutzker Center

What is a support group?

Being an international student is both an exciting and at times a challenging experience. A support group provides a venue to meet other international students who can share and relate to your experiences and concerns; you can receive both support and feedback on how to adjust to the local environment, cope with the difficulties, and achieve academic progress and personal growth through the semester. The group will be facilitated by Jacquie Ye and Susan Levy.

What do I talk about when I am in group?

International students who join these groups usually talk about their own unique reasons for coming to group. Students typically share about difficulties they experience in adjusting to the university culture, strategize together, and brainstorm about effective ways to cope, maintain a healthy balance, and improve one's quality of life.

Some common topics that past groups have covered include:

- Experiencing academic and research stressors
- Issues with negotiation with professors/supervisors,
- Homesickness, loneliness, coping with long-distance relationship
- Language and communication barriers
- Making friends or dating someone from a different culture
US cultural adjustment and shock, etc.

Who are the facilitators?
The facilitators are Jacquie Ye and Susan Levy, counselors at the SU Counseling Center. Jacquie was born in China and Susan in South Africa. Having been international students themselves, they are enthusiastic about working with and providing support for other international students.

Please sign up at the Slutzker Center front desk. Space is limited.

If you are curious, have questions or are downright interested, please feel free to contact Jacquie Ye at hjye@syr.edu and Susan Levy at sulevy@syr.edu.

Graduate Student News

Dec 3— "Passionate Practices: Public Scholarship and Graduate Education" — Friday, 12-1:30, HL 202

Dec 8— Graduate Teaching Mentor info session Wednesday, 9:30-10:30 AM, Bowne 218

Deadlines
- Spring semester registration begins Wednesday, Nov 10th
- Open Enrollment deadline: Friday, Nov 12th
- All graduate students must register before Dec 17th
- withdrawal deadline: Friday, Nov 19th
- final Grades Due. Tuesday Dec 28th

Click here for the PDF of the full newsletter from the office of enrollment management

http://www.syr.edu/gradschool/em/current_whatyouneed.html

Steps for your final semester and procedures of defending a thesis or dissertation:

http://www.syr.edu/gradschool/em/pdfs/Steps.pdf

Thesis Format Guidelines:

Graduation Deadlines:
http://www.syr.edu/gradschool/em/pdf/GraduationDeadlines.pdf

Recycling: Doing your Bit

What Can Be Recycled?
The following items can be placed in the blue recycling bins:

**PAPER**
- Cardboard (please flatten)
- Newspaper & Inserts
- Magazines & Catalogs
- Junk Mail & Envelopes
- Office & School Papers (staples included)
- Cereal, Pasta & Other Food Boxes
- Pizza Boxes

**CONTAINERS**
- Bottles, Jars & Cans
- Cartons
- Foils
- #5 Plastic Containers

The following items CANNOT be recycled:
- Plastic grocery bags
- Frozen food and meat trays
- Plastic bottles without a recycling symbol, or with recycling numbers 3, 4, 6 & 7
- Polystyrene (Styrofoam)
Six pack holders and rings
- Paint cans or anything that once contained hazardous waste (pesticides, lubricants, pain, etc.)
- Broken glass, dishes or drinking glasses
- Egg cartons, paper plates, paper towels, metallic paper.
- Hardcover or paperback books.

Recycling hints:
- Need a second blue bin? If you live in a town or village, get your second bin from your highway department garage. If you live in the City of Syracuse, call 453-2866. The city will deliver a bin to you. If you live in an apartment please ask your manager.
- Please, no plastic grocery bags in the blue bin. Put your newspapers, junk mail and other paper recyclables in a paper bag. Return plastic grocery bags to your grocery store for recycling or use them to dispose of your trash.
- Please flatten all cardboard boxes. Also cut cardboard into 3 foot by 3 foot sections and place next to blue bin.
- Please throw away plastic bottle tops and caps. Do not place plastic bottle tops and caps in your blue bin.
- Please rinse food cans, aluminum foil, and baking tins to remove food particles before placing items in blue bin.

Questions? Visit www.OCRRA.org or call the Operation Separation Hotline at 453-2870

Fighting the Flu

- For more information about the flu, please see http://www.flu.gov.
- The latest campus information on the flu and other related matters can be found at http://flu.syr.edu.
- The Onondaga County Health Department site is http://www.ongov.net/Health/SwineFlu.html

Flu Information: http://students.syr.edu/health/files/vis_flu_2010.pdf

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
- Syracuse University Health Services
- 111 Waverly Avenue
- Phone: 315-443-9005
- E-mail: healthservices@students.syr.edu
- Web: http://flu.syr.edu

Beat the Heating Bill Blues

- Set your thermostat lower when you are not home and when you are sleeping. It takes less energy to warm up a cool house than it does to maintain a warm temperature all day and night.
- Put an extra blanket on your bed and wear an extra layer to be comfortable.
- Set your thermostat at 68 degrees. For every degree you set your thermostat back, you can save three percent of your annual heating costs. A change from 72 to 68 degrees could save you up to 12 percent!
- Install a programmable thermostat which allows you to set up heating programs that will automatically change the thermostat's set temperature between comfort levels and energy saving levels at specified times. A programmable thermostat can save you up to 35 percent in heating costs.
- Keep curtains and shades open during the day to capture warmth and closed at night to prevent heat loss through windows.
- Keep doors of unused rooms closed and use a towel to eliminate drafts under doors. If you use a space heater for extra warmth, be sure to keep it at least three feet from other objects and turn it off when you leave.
- Keep your thermostat set to a temperature no lower than 55º F. You must keep your apartment heated all winter long so that your pipes will not freeze—even while nobody is living in the house. Frozen pipes cause extensive and expensive damage to a home's plumbing and heating systems. If you turn off your heat, you could be responsible for repairs! Also, keep in mind that using a space heater instead of central heat may not save you money and it puts you at greater risk for a fire.

If you have questions about winter heating or need tips on how to lower your bill, please contact the Office of Off-Campus and Commuter Services at 315-443-5489 or offcampus@syr.edu.
**SU Disability Cultural Center Initiative**

This initiative came as a result of recommendations made by the chancellor’s task force which identified an opportunity for SU to become a premiere institution supporting inclusion and disability culture for all. As part of our efforts to create such a center I would like to schedule a meeting with students to help us brainstorm about the vision and eventually the creation of the disability cultural center. This meeting will help guide us regarding what YOU would find useful or important in such an initiative, what will help meet your needs and desires as a student at Syracuse University. I wanted to invite you to participate in this meeting, which will be scheduled around students’ availability.

The focus of the Disability Cultural Center is to coordinate campus-wide social, educational, and cultural activities on disability issues for students, faculty, staff, and community members with and without disabilities. It is not a service granting entity, nor do you have to identify as disabled in order to participate. In fact, no prior qualifications are required, only a desire to bring about positive change in the climate of the university towards disability issues.

For more information about the center, please check out our site under construction at [http://thechp.syr.edu/dcc/index.html](http://thechp.syr.edu/dcc/index.html)

This is a great opportunity to get involved with the campus community, and also something unique to put on your resume or CV.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

I look forward to working with you on this exciting project.

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Liat Ben-Moshe, [lbenmosh@maxwell.syr.edu](mailto:lbenmosh@maxwell.syr.edu), [http://thechp.syr.edu/dcc/](http://thechp.syr.edu/dcc/)  

**Restock Every Monday**

Stock up on free fruit, herbal tea, condoms, lubricant and dental dams courtesy of Health Services and Healthy Monday, a public health initiative that encourages people to commit every Monday to the behaviors and actions that will end preventable disease in the U.S.

**Location:** Student Health Services

**Move It Monday FREE Fitness Classes @ 1:00pm.**

Move it Monday is a part of the Healthy Campus Initiative Healthy Monday. This is a program that focuses on participation in activities that promote the various components of wellness on campus at little or no cost to the user. Various FREE fitness classes will be offered every Monday during the Fitness Class schedule from 1:00-1:50pm in the Flanagan Exercise Room on a drop-in, first come, first served basis. Please arrive early as the maximum enrollment for each class will vary based on activity.
November 22 - PiYo
November 29 - Pilates
December 6 – RPM (cyde room)
(advanced registration required for RPM)

Orange Orators Toastmasters Meeting

Orange Orators Toastmasters is a public speaking group open to the campus community where members come together to learn valuable communication and leadership skills while having a whole lot of fun! The group provides a safe place to develop these skills in a mutually supportive and positive learning environment. Guests are always welcome to come to a meeting to find out what it's all about or even join in the antics! Also, while our meetings are always open and free for anyone to attend as a guest, membership does require an annual fee.

Tuesday, November 30th, 2010 at 12:00pm
Location : Peter Graham Scholarly Commons, Bird Library; Contact: Carolynn Rayome, cmrayome@syr.edu, 443-0293

Parking Regulations In The University Neighborhoods

Parking in the neighborhoods surrounding campus may be a new experience for some. To avoid ticketing and towing, and to help maintain the quality of life in the University area, members of the University community are reminded to observe city parking regulations. Many city streets have alternate side (odd-even) parking, which takes effect at 6 p.m. On odd dates, parking starts at 6 p.m. on the side of the street with odd address numbers; on even dates, parking starts at 6 p.m. on the side with even-number addresses.

"Parking illegally on a city street creates traffic hazards to motorists and pedestrians, obstructs vehicular and pedestrian traffic, prevents emergency vehicles from entering areas, and delays public services such as trash collection and snow removal. And parking on front lawns and across sidewalks is not only illegal, but also poses a safety threat to pedestrians who are forced to walk off the sidewalks. Working collaboratively with the Syracuse Police Department, we want the campus community to know the rules so they can follow them.

To reduce and discourage illegal parking, the Syracuse Police Department will strictly enforce the parking regulations in the University area and will routinely conduct Ticket and Tow Operations in persistent violator areas. Drivers should obey the posted parking regulations in order to avoid being ticketed and towed, and should be mindful that failure to respond to parking violations may result in collection agency involvement or other punitive action against the registrant and/or the vehicle.

Weekly Salsa Update

Your "WEEKLY SALSA UPDATE" is organized as follows:

Sec 1) Special Notices
Sec 2) Where to Dance This Week
Sec 3) Weekend Lessons
Sec 4) La Familia's Weekly Dance Class Schedule
Sec 5) Local Latin Radio Shows

Sec 1) Special Notices:
- New Music at Havana Nights THIS Friday!
  Don't miss it, this Friday's gonna be SUPER HOT!
- Notice: Roberto is combining Mon & Tues Cardio-Salsa
Starting this coming week, Roberto will be combining his Mon and Tues Cardio-Salsa classes into the Tuesday night class. Please email him if you plan to attend at: robobaucau001@yahoo.com

EVERY TUESDAY - Beg / Int / Adv "Cardio-Salsa & Latin Movement" with Roberto Perez
Time: 6:30 - 7:30pm ... NO experience necessary ... NO partner necessary ... Drop-ins welcome!
Where: Center Group Fitness Studio, 311B Towne Dr. Fayetteville, N.Y.  
(on the opposite side of Target in Fayetteville Towne Center).

$10 per class or 6 classes for $42. 
Learn Salsa steps, syncopations & Latin movement direct from the streets of Havana!!!

- Los Van Van "The Rolling Stones of Cuba"...will be at Toronto's The Sound Academy on Sat. Nov.27th. Formar Van Van vocalist Pedrito Calvo will be a special guest! Los Van Van is the most popular Salsa band in the history of Cuba - at the top of the charts for 30 years!
The Sound Academy, 11 Polson St., Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Doors open at 8:30pm Showtime 10pm (opening acts) 
$35.00 advance tickets $50 at the door.
Contact our friend Javier Riveras for discounted tickets at: latinroc@gmail.com
- or - Infoline 585-857-7312. Tickets online www.ticketmaster.ca

EVERY FIRST & 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH - Syracuse:
La Familia's Latin Night at Metro Lounge!
Next Date: THIS Sat Nov 6th ... 9:30pm:2:00am ... $5 ... 21+ event
* DJ "la Maquina" spins the HOTTEST Latin dance music from the around the world in Syracuse's CHICEST Nightclub!!!
* Salsa, Merengue, Bachata, Chachacha, Reggaeton Y Timba!
* Full service bar, fully air conditioned, plenty of free off street parking.
* Walking distance from Syracuse University Campus!
* VENUE: Metro Lounge & Cafe, 505 Westcott St, Syr Map
* "bridging cultures through dance...one step at a time"!!!
www.lafamiliadelasalsa.com

SATURDAYS - Rochester:
Noche Latina 8pm : 1am ... 21+ event ...FREE!  
The Oasis Dance Club, 1230 Danby Rd, Rt 96B, Rochester, NY
www.tapas177.com

SATURDAYS - Syracuse:
Noche Latina 8pm : 1am ... 21+ event ...FREE!  
The Oasis Dance Club, 1230 Danby Rd, Rt 96B, Ithaca NY
www.ithacaosiris.com

SUNDAYS - Ithaca:
Noche Latina 7pm : 1am ... 21+ event ...FREE! 
The Oasis Dance Club, 1230 Danby Rd, Rt 96B, Ithaca NY
www.ithacaosiris.com

Sec 3) Weekend Lessons:

EVERY FRIDAY - Syracuse:
Introductory "Salsa Survival Class" for Beginners!  
OUR MOST POPULAR CLASS taught by Brian A. Bromka, La Familia's Founder, Artistic Director & Master Instructor. To read Brian's bio, Click Here

Friday nights ... 8:15 - 9:30pm, just prior to Havana Nights Latin Dance! (see Sec 2, above)
$7 (or $10 for lesson + dance)

Johnston's Ballybay Pub/ Nightclub, 550 Richmond Ave., Syracuse, Map

La Familia's Weekly Dance Class Schedule!

"La Familia" teaches private and group classes, weekly, at various locations throughout Central NY (...and we rotate partners in every class, so, there is NO partner necessary!).
To view our entire weekly schedule of classes Click Here

Sec 4) Local Latin Radio Shows

WEDNESDAYS – Syracuse
8pm CNN Latino, Talk Show with HUGO ACOSTA (101.5, 95.3, & 98.1 FM)
9pm CNN Latino, SPORTS Show with JOE RODRIGUEZ (101.5, 95.3, & 98.1 FM)

* Listen online at: www.cnnlatino.com

THURSDAYS - Syracuse
8:30 - 10:00 pm Nosotros, Inc., Your Latino Voice (103.9 & 95.3 FM)

* Listen online at: www.wvoaradio.com

FRIDAYS – Syracuse
8:00 - 10:00 pm Nosotros, Inc., Your Latino Voice (103.9 & 95.3 FM)

* Listen online at: www.wvoaradio.com

SATURDAYS – Syracuse
3:00 – 7:00 pm Nosotros, Inc., Your Latino Voice (103.9 & 95.3 FM)

* Listen online at: www.wvoaradio.com

SATURDAYS – Syracuse
5:00 – 7:00pm – Sabor Latino: Spanish Action League (106.9FM)
**Important Announcements!**

- Special Practical Training Seminars will be held in the evening on December 6th starting @ 5:00 p.m.
  - CPT – 5:00pm
  - OPT – 5:30pm

- Registration for the Spring Term 2011 has started. Contact your respective counselor for further details.

- Graduate students expecting to graduate this December must complete the File Diploma Request process in MySlice by established deadlines, published at [http://gradsch.syr.edu/pdfs/GraduationDeadlines.pdf](http://gradsch.syr.edu/pdfs/GraduationDeadlines.pdf) by the Graduate School. This will activate the certification process and awarding of your degree.

- Interested in taking Yoga, Pilates, Tae Kwon Do, Tai Chi, Ballet, Zumba, Biking (RPM), Fencing or Swimming Classes this semester please check this website for more details: [http://recreationservices.syr.edu/Programs/fitnessclasses/flyers/Fall%202010%20fitness%20flyer.pdf](http://recreationservices.syr.edu/Programs/fitnessclasses/flyers/Fall%202010%20fitness%20flyer.pdf)

- Students who will be ending their studies this December 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.

- International Student Support Group will be held every Thursday from 3:00pm – 4:30pm at the Slutzker Center. (For further details about this group please read the article above)

- Planning to Study Abroad during the Spring 2011 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.

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**MEETING YOUR HEALTH REQUIREMENTS**

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!

Although rare, a fire drill or evacuation could be an opportunity for a thief to strike. To prevent someone from taking your irreplaceable documents and passports we recommend the following:

- Keep your documents in a secure location.
- Be able to access and take your documents with you quickly if you need to evacuate the building.
- A small safe, briefcase, folder or backpack maybe the best way to keep your documents organized.
- Rent a safety deposit box at your local bank (i.e.: HSBC, Chase, etc.)

You should never spend time searching for your documents in an emergency! Your personal safety is the highest importance in emergency!

Applied for OPT? The SCIS Needs a Copy of Your EAD Card!

The SCIS reminds all students who have applied for OPT that once you receive your Employment Authorization Card (EAD), please "scan the front and back of your EAD card" and e-mail us a copy of it to lescis@syr.edu.

Students who are planning to do an Internship this Fall semester should apply for Curricular Practical Training (CPT) Please remember that you have to register for at least 1 credit for CPT.

**Curricular Practical Training Seminar (CPT) - Wednesday @ 3:00pm**

**Optional Practical Training Seminar (OPT) - Wednesday @ 3:45pm**
Off-Campus Housing 101

It is that time of year: time to begin looking for off-campus housing for the 2011-12 academic year. The rental season begins very early in Syracuse, but that does not mean that you have to sign a lease right now; you should not rush to sign a lease and should learn about off-campus housing prior to making the decision to move off-campus. A lease should not be signed until the property has been researched, roommates are confirmed, and the lease has been reviewed by Student Legal Services.

There are a number of rental units available in the University area and one of the best sources for advice and information about off-campus housing are friends and classmates. Another good place to search is Orange Housing. Orange Housing maintains a web site of apartment offerings in the neighborhoods adjacent to campus. The Orange Housing website is www.orangehousing.com. It is important to keep in mind that this local company is not affiliated with Syracuse University or SUNY ESF and there are absolutely no guarantees about the quality and reliability of the information posted on the website. Orange Housing also offers roommate searches, sublet listings, and information relevant to apartment hunters. Apartment listings can also be found in the Daily Orange and at www.apartmentfinder.com.
Your first step in your apartment search is determining your needs. Important considerations include:
- Distance from campus
- How much you can afford for rent and utilities
- On or off-street parking
- Number of roommates
- Furnished or non-furnished apartment
- Length of lease
- Pets

Once you have determined your needs you will want to view two or more rentals that meet your criteria. Check out each apartment thoroughly; don’t be afraid to test faucets, doorknobs, etc. and make sure you are satisfied with the safety features available (window locks, security lights, etc.). You should talk with the current tenants about the apartment; ask about location and experiences with the landlord. Once you decide on an apartment and have done all needed research, you should have the lease reviewed by Student Legal Services.

The Office of Off-Campus and Commuter Services (OCCS) is a resource that you should also utilize in your search for off campus housing. OCCS staff will assist you in your search by educating you on what is needed to have a successful off-campus living experience. OCCS is available for in person assistance at 754 Ostrom Avenue, via phone at 315-443-5489, online at offcampus.syr.edu, via email at offcampus@syr.edu

### Apartment Safety Tips

Burglars strike in any neighborhood. They are opportunistic and always look for such easy targets as homes that are left open, not well maintained, out of eyesight or earshot of neighbors, or obscured by landscaping or fencing. The best way to minimize your chances of becoming a victim is to take sensible precautions.

The following tips offered by the City of Syracuse Police Department are designed to help you reduce your chances of becoming a victim of crime. You may already be aware of some strategies, but others may be new to you. Remember to trust your instincts and use common sense. Do not let yourself become a victim of a crime!

#### Before Renting an Apartment

Survey the residence for the following security features:
- Does the apartment have metal or solid core wooden entry and exit doors? Are these doors equipped with deadbolts? Are the locks mounted securely? Have the doors been re-keyed since the last tenant moved out?
- Can visitors be observed without opening the apartment door either through a door “peephole” viewer or window?
- Does any outside vegetation block doors or windows from public view? Does the vegetation provide places or concealment at entrances at or along walkways?
- Is there adequate lighting at the building entry doors and along walkways? Are the outer doors kept locked at all times?

#### In Your Apartment

- Keep your doors locked at all times, especially when you are alone, sleeping, or in another room. Close the apartment door unoccupied (even if only for a few moments).
- Determine who is on the other side of the door before opening it. Have repair or service personnel show official identification and confirm their presence with the person requesting the service. Delivery persons should remain outside to await the person requesting the delivery.
- If you return home and something looks questionable (e.g., a slit screen, broken window, or open door) do not go inside. Call the Syracuse Police Department from a safe location.
- Be sure you have blinds or curtains on your windows to discourage window peepers. Always keep your windows covered at night and leave lights on in two or more rooms.
- Make a list of your valuables and record any serial numbers.
- Be sure all outdoor lighting fixtures are in working condition. Ask your landlord to make immediate repairs.
- Place items of value out of sight and in locked areas. Do not leave valuables unattended in such common areas as laundry rooms and lounges.
- Ask your landlord to maintain and trim shrubbery.

#### Getting Repairs Made in Your Apartment

As a tenant, you are entitled to a livable, safe and sanitary apartment. Failure to provide heat or hot water on a regular basis or to rid an apartment of insect infestation is an example of a violation of this entitlement.

All landlords are required to maintain electrical, plumbing, sanitary, heating and ventilating systems in good working order. Landlords of buildings in good three or more apartments must keep apartments and public areas in “good repair.” Landlords also have a duty to keep every part of a dwelling clean and free of vermin, dirt, garbage, and other offensive material.

All landlords in the City of Syracuse must maintain their premises in accordance with Syracuse Property Code. The Housing Complaint section of the Division of Code Enforcement enforces the City Code by responding to reports and complaints about housing maintenance, overgrown yards, trash and debris and disabled vehicles on private property. In addition they work with other agencies to improve residential neighborhoods.

If you have a complaint concerning the habitability or repair of your apartment, contact the Syracuse Division of Code Enforcement at (315) 448-8695. If you have any questions you can call our office at 443-5489.
The Landlord Information Sharing Program (LISP) is designed to provide students with a method for communicating with each other from year to year about their rental housing challenges and successes.

Process
Any Syracuse University or SUNY ESF student can fill out a Comment Form found on our web site at offcampus.syr.edu or in our office at 754 Ostrom Avenue. Students must clearly explain their concerns or issues in the form provided or by attaching a separate typed letter. They must use facts to describe the situation that is the basis for their documentation—they cannot simply provide an opinion of their landlord with no supporting factual basis.

OCCS staff would also like to hear about any positive interactions that students might have with their landlords. If students have positive experiences that they would like us, or other students, to know about, they should send us a letter clearly explaining the interaction, using facts to describe the situation—they should not simply provide an opinion of their landlord with no supporting factual basis.

What happens when a Comment Form is filed?
OCCS staff will review all completed Comment Forms. If any include unprofessional language or are not appropriate to share with other students, it will be returned to the student with a letter explaining why. OCCS staff will forward a copy of the submitted Comment Form to the student's landlord. The landlord may respond to the concerns or issues directly or may respond by sending a letter to the OCCS. If the OCCS receives a response, a copy will be mailed to the student. OCCS staff will keep a copy of all Comment Forms and landlord responses in our office at 754 Ostrom Avenue. All names, contact information, and any other identifying information will be redacted from the Comment Forms and responses. Other SU/SUNY ESF students will be able to view your Comment Form and your landlord's response when they are searching for off-campus housing.

We encourage students viewing the landlord files to consider not only the number and type of concerns or issues raised, but the landlords’ responses to them. Please note that the views expressed in these materials are solely those of students and local property owners and not those of Syracuse University.

Sometimes your landlord may not respond to your concerns or issues, or may respond unfavorably. OCCS staff will work with you throughout the process to seek to accomplish a resolution to your problem. When appropriate, OCCS staff will refer you to agencies that are better able to assist you, such as the Syracuse Police Department, City of Syracuse Division of Code Enforcement, Conflict Mediation Center, Student Legal Services, etc.

Cell Phone Offers to SU International Students

18% off for Syracuse University Students use Discount Code 2386165
- World Phones available
- Exclusive provider of the Apple iPhone & BlackBerry TORCH
- Competitive domestic and international plans available
- Only domestic carrier that offers rollover minutes
- Receive 18% off monthly voice and data plans (not prepaid)
- Text messaging plan discounts available on select phones
- $2 Off 200 Message Plan - Your Cost $3
- $5 Off 1500 Message Plan - Your Cost $10
- $5 Off Unlimited Plan - Your Cost $15
- Offer excludes iPhone Text Messaging Plans
- Prepaid service plans available
- Waived security deposit for one line of service (only available only at Company Owned Retail Stores, not available online or at Authorized Dealers.)
- Prices reflect 18% Syracuse University Student Discount Code 2386165
- Rates apply to calls made from within the U.S., Puerto Rico and U.S Virgin Islands
- Convenient and affordable calling from the U.S to over 220 countries
- International Roaming agreements in over 100 countries, rates vary
- For more details on International Roaming, see www.att.com/international

T-Mobile also offers prepaid Pay-As-You-Go plans. Which are designed for single subscribers (no family plans) who are in the USA for only a couple of years. For further details please check the following website http://www.t-mobile.com/shop/plans/prepaid-plans.aspx

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Special Registration (NSEERS)

Further security checks after initial immigration inspection are typically required for:

© Certain citizens or nationals of Iran, Iraq, Libya, Sudan and Syria, as designated by the DHA Secretary in the Federal Register.

© Males age 16-45 from Afghanistan, Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Indonesia, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Malaysia, Morocco, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

© Foreign nationals of any country may be asked by a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (USCBP) officer to undergo Special Registration if they feel they may be a national security threat.

If you are subject to special registration procedures, it is your responsibility to make certain that your entry and departure is documented by a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (USCBP) inspecting officer, every time you leave and re-enter the U.S. (This may add a significant amount of time onto departure so please plan accordingly).

A helpful reminder of where the pertinent NSEERS registrations may be found at the following airports in the state of New York:

- Buffalo Peace Bridge POE, New York
- Cape Vincent POE, New York
- Champlain POE, New York
- Chateaugay POE, New York
- Fort Covington POE, New York
- Heart Island POE, New York
- John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK), New York
- Lewiston Bridge POE, New York
- Mooers POE, New York
- Niagara Falls, Rainbow Bridge, New York
- Newark International Airport (NEW), New Jersey
- Ogdensburg POE, New York
- Rochester-Ferry Terminal, New York
- Rouses Point POE, New York
- Seaway International Bridge/Massena POE, New York
- Thousand Islands POE, New York
- Trout River POE, New York

Pedestrian Safety Tips

Stay safe while you're walking to campus. Here are some tips:

- Use sidewalks and paths whenever possible.
- Use crosswalks, and don't start walking until you see the "WALK" signal. Walk facing traffic so you can see vehicles as they approach, and they can see you.
- Always walk in groups of three or more!
- Remember, pedestrians only have the right-of-way if a driver sees them! As a driver, it is important to be familiar with pedestrian safety laws. When a pedestrian is crossing at a crosswalk, drivers must wait until the pedestrian has completely crossed the street and has reached the other side safely.
- When making a right-hand turn at a red light, it is important to come to a complete stop and check for pedestrians crossing the street. Also remember there are many "No Right on Red" turns in the Syracuse University area!

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.
- Nationwide 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 11/12/2010
For your safety, please remember...

- On campus after dark, use DPS’ free escort service. Off campus, use SU Home (it’s free); call 315-443-2224 for more information on these services. Additional options are 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.
- 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 and tag number.
- IMMEDIATELY report emergencies or suspicious activities, persons and vehicles. For SU’s Department of Public Safety, dial 711 on campus or #78 (from a cell phone); for the Syracuse Police Department, dial 911

Your quick report may help prevent others from becoming victims.

Fall 2010 Bus Schedule

Centro is the provider of public transportation in Syracuse and throughout Onondaga, Cayuga and Oswego Counties. Centro operates a system of shuttle routes on campus under contract with Syracuse University. These are regular transit routes which Syracuse University students can board for free. Centro also operates an extensive system of bus routes connecting the Syracuse University campus to points throughout the area. Students may ride free on these routes within certain specified “free fare zones”. If you wish to travel to an area outside of these zones, you must pay a fare.

http://parking.syr.edu/Parking/display.cfm?content_ID=%28%

QUESTIONS? Contact:
Parking and Transit Services
621 Skytop Road
- Phone: 315-443-1049
- Web: http://parking.syr.edu

Motivational Quotes of the Week:

"Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving."
~W.T. Purkiser (Thanksgiving Day)

"A man may fall many times, but he won’t be a failure until he says that someone pushed him."
~Elmer G. Letterman

"If opportunity doesn’t knock, build a door."
~Milton Berle

Perseverance is the hard work you do after you get tired of doing the hard work you already did.
~Newt Gingrich

"I’ve missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I’ve lost almost 300 games. 26 times, I’ve been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I’ve failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."
~Michael Jordan

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